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NEW SESSIONAL LEADER

As reported in our despatches yesterday the Conservative members of the House of Commons appointed Hon. Hugh Guthrie, K.C., as House Leader of the party during the coming session.

Mr. Guthrie is well qualified for the position. He has been one of the leading members in the Commons since his election in 1910 in the constituency of South Wellington, Ontario, a constituency represented by his father, Mr. Donald Guthrie, K.C., for the previous six years. His popularity is evidenced by the fact that he has been re-elected at every general election since his entry into the House of Commons. He was appointed Solicitor-General of Canada on October 4, 1917, became a member of the Privy Council in 1919, appointed Minister of Militia and Defence in 1920. On the formation of the Meighen Ministry in 1920, after the resignation of Rt. Hon. Sir Robert Borden, he was re-appointed Minister of Militia and Defence. He was chairman of the Railway Committee of the House of Commons and represented Canada at the International Financial Conference summoned by the League of Nations at Brussels in 1920. He also attended the meeting of the Imperial War Graves Commission in London in 1920 and was appointed Agent for Canada of the Commission.

These important positions entrusted to him express in a word the esteem and confidence of his colleagues and from the record the Conservative party has good ground for believing that his temporary leadership will be conducted with good judgment and becoming dignity.

POTATO SHIPPING.

Potato shipping, the most important marketing business of the year, is now upon us, and both farmers and shippers are looking anxiously to the coming six or eight weeks during which short period the fall shipment must be completed.

We have no doubt that the energetic secretary of the Potato Growers' Association is doing and will do all in his power to secure ships and cars, but there are factors over which he has not full control. One of these is the railway service, the supplying of frost-proof cars, the certainty of their being on hand when needed. For this the Railway management is wholly responsible. The Association can only demand, can only rely on promises which will always be readily given, although not always as faithfully kept. The local management has overcome many difficulties in the past and may be depended upon to do his share. The great difficulty is to gather in the cars from outside points and these cover a wide range as our sister provinces are also in the potato business. Their wants are, however, less insistent than ours, as they have the whole winter to ship in, while we are obliged to get practically the whole crop away within the space of two months. This entitles us to special consideration in the matter of providing cars and we trust the railway management will take this view of it.

After the first of November there is no security for potato shipment except in refrigerator or frost-proof cars and it is hoped that by that time the inward stream of suitable cars will equal the outward stream.

The first potato steamer will begin loading in Charlottetown next Monday, and will take away 25,000 sacks. After that loading of steamers will be continuous as long as navigation permits. There is already a large quantity of potatoes in store here and elsewhere and from now until the end of the shipping season they will be pouring in to the different shipping points from all parts of the island. It is expected that this year's output of potatoes will be the largest in the history of the province.

THE POPULAR VOTE.

Figures compiled by the Canadian Press and now practically complete, show the relative standing of the different political groups in Canada, according to the vote taken on September 14 last. The figures are as follows:—

Table with 2 columns: Party and Votes. Conservative: 1,446,124; Liberal: 1,334,200; Progressive: 101,850; Liberal-Progressive: 85,270; Labor: 50,153; Independent: 17,790; U. F. Alberta: 45,177.

When it is remembered that the Conservative party is an undivided unit, a party having a definite fiscal policy from the main principles of which it has never swerved and that the party having the reins of power is, like Joseph's coat, "of many colors," politically, the defeat of the Conservatives at the last election does not look as much like a debacle as many hilarious Liberals tried to make it appear.

As the Ottawa Journal points out the figures compiled by the Canadian Press show—

- 1. That on September 14th the Conservative party polled 1,446,124 more votes than the Liberal party.
2. That the Conservative vote was bigger than the Liberal and Liberal-Progressive vote combined.
3. That, deducting the vote given those Progressives who voted against the King Ministry over the Customs scandal, and who were not opposed by Meighen candidates, the Conservative vote was as great as the Liberal, Liberal-Progressive and Progressive vote combined.

- 4. That in seven out of nine provinces the Conservative vote greatly exceeded the Liberal vote.
5. That in the new House of Commons the Conservative Opposition will speak for more Canadian citizens than the Liberal Government.

These facts speak for themselves. They not only show that the Conservative party is not demoralized; they show that it is still the most vigorous force in the political life of the country; and they make it certain that at a not distant date that party will again be found governing the Dominion.

PUNCTUALITY.

With the exception of the churches, the schools, the moving picture theatres, there is scarcely any institution which opens its meetings at the announced hour of opening. Meetings called for eight o'clock in the evening usually open half an hour later. People knowing this is the custom do not come until about the customary hour of opening, thus helping to perpetuate the nuisance. People of punctual habits in their own business go to a meeting called for eight o'clock only to find that some "important" part of the audience is still absent and the proceedings must be held up. This is unfair and annoying, and the only remedy is to open the meeting at the appointed hour regardless of the important absentees. Once it is known that eight o'clock means eight, not 8.30 or even 8.10, punctuality will become a habit and the city will be the better for it. Unfortunately the habit of unpunctuality prevails elsewhere as well as in Charlottetown and the same remedy will apply.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The complimentary concert in honor of Mr. F. T. Watkins was a credit to the music-lovers of the city as well as a splendid recognition of the undoubted talent of a brother musician. The performance was entirely voluntary, each contributing his or her part as an offering of esteem and respect for one who has during his residence in Charlottetown been always ready to serve. Heartily congratulations are extended to Mr. Watkins on the honor paid to him, heartily thanks to all performers and audience, who paid it.

Notes by the Way

The retirement of ex-Premier Meighen involves the necessity of choosing another permanent leader for the Conservative party. The choice is a difficult one because the combination of qualities that go to make a great leader is rare. The two most notable examples the Dominion has so far supplied are Sir John Macdonald and Sir Wilfrid Laurier. They were of different race stock; one was Scotch, the other French-Canadian; both were bred to the law; both entered political life at an early age and without private fortune.

Sir John Macdonald was no orator, while his younger opponent was richly endowed with oratorical gifts. Sir Wilfrid had made himself master of both the French and English languages and spoke in either with equal fluency and grace. Sir John but very rarely attempted to use any other than the English language. Yet they had qualities in common. Both were naturally astute, cautious, apt students of human nature and public affairs, and both possessed of that rare quality, the complex gift of leadership.

We have cited these few points of contrast and resemblance between our two greatest political leaders of the past with an object in view. It seems desirable in the choice of a permanent party leader that those who are to make the choice shall be able to distinguish between what is essential and what is non-essential in a political leader. Aristocratic lineage, wealth, oratory, ability to speak fluently in both English and French, each has a certain value, but are not prime essentials of a leader's equipment.

Preferably the man to be chosen leader of a party should not be over fifty years of age. Sir John Macdonald was leader of his party in Upper Canada before he was fifty and Prime Minister of the Dominion at 52. Alexander Mackenzie was leader of the Liberal party at Ottawa at 42. Sir Wilfrid Laurier entered the Quebec Legislature when he was 30 years of age, was elected to the House of Commons three years later and was chosen leader of his party when in his 50th year. Ex-Premier Meighen became leader of the Conservative party at 46 years of age, and Premier King was called to the Liberal leadership at 43 and Prime Minister at 45.

A good constitution, a sound mind in a sound body, are requisite for the arduous duties and labors of a political leader. Without such physical and mental equipment Sir John Macdonald and Sir Wilfrid Laurier could not have retained the force and alert activity which they possessed until the end of their days. Sir John passed out of life at 76, and Sir Wilfrid at 78 years of age. Not in a year or ten years does a great political leader attain his full measure of influence in the political world.

A succession of decades in which they led their respective parties with prudence and skill made the names of Macdonald and Laurier household words throughout Canada and spread their fame to the Empire's utmost bounds. With years at the head of affairs they gained wisdom by experience, a cumulative force that would have been impossible had they been first called to lead when past the prime of life.

Hon. Hugh Guthrie who has been chosen Conservative leader to serve during the coming session of Parliament, sits for South Wellington, Ontario, and is the son of a previous representative of Wellington. He was first elected to the House of Commons in 1890 and has been re-elected at every general election since. He held office in both the Union Cabinet of 1917, and later under Premier Meighen, first as Solicitor-General and later as Minister of Militia until 1921 when the Administration was defeated.

Hon. Mr. Guthrie is a lawyer of fine ability and high character who has long been prominent in the party as a forcible and impressive speaker on the public platform and in the House of Commons. His talents and long experience as a parliamentarian give promise of good service in the position to which he has been advanced. Mr. Guthrie was born at Guelph, Ontario, in August, 1866.

Edmonton Magistrate Clears His Courtroom

(Canadian Press.) EDMONTON, Alta., Oct. 11.—Playing no favorites, Magistrate Prinrose ordered that both men and women were to leave the court on a certain day this month, following an application by the city prosecutor, that the women present be excluded during the hearing of the case of a taxi driver charged with using grossly insulting language to a C.P.R. policeman.



By James W. Barton, M.D.

EFFECTS OF LACK OF SUNSHINE

Almost daily you are reading about the remarkable results obtained by the ultra violet rays obtained by artificial light, and their effect upon the growth and workings of the body. I spoke once before about the effect of these rays on the growth of chickens, and how they increased the egg-laying power of the hens. A French research man has been experimenting with these rays on young rabbits. There were five rabbits in the litter and they were born and kept further in a dark cellar. The two strongest were made "controls," as it is called, that is they were not subjected to these ultra violet rays. The other or weaker three young rabbits were treated for about five weeks with three treatments or exposures per week. The five animals received the same food in equal amounts.

The rabbits that were given the ultra violet ray treatment grew in a normal manner despite the fact that they were kept in the dark cellar.

The other two rabbits, which were the strongest at birth, did not gain in weight, in fact their weight became less, and they were unquestionably weak and sick. These scientists believe that these rays manufactured ozone, which really air in its purest form, and that this counteracted the darkness and lack of ventilation in the cellar.

Further, as most of the workings of the body are now thought to be due to electrical reactions, the ultra violet rays actually increased the amount of electricity in the body.

And still further, the little glands in the body that control nutrition and growth were likewise stimulated, so that the animals overcame the handicaps of the dark cellar.

And the lesson? Just the same old one, that sunshine is what makes everything grow, and therefore your children and you also, should get your share daily. The day hasn't come when we should sit in darkness or in ill-ventilated rooms and try to make up for this by the use of the ultra violet rays. These rays are for those who are sick or shut in. You and I need not only the sunshine itself but the change, the variety that goes with the outdoors. The mind needs this as much as the body.

DAILY LESSONS IN ENGLISH

By W. L. Gordon

WORDS OFTEN MISUSED: Don't say "I feel kind of depressed." Say "somewhat depressed."

OFTEN MISPRONOUNCED: abstract. Accented on and adjective on first syllable, verb on last syllable.

OFTEN MISSPELLED: civilize; riddle, enigma, conundrum.

WORD STUDY: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Today's word: TYPICAL; having the nature or character of a type. "They were typical New England folk."

Daily Selections FOR Guardian Readers

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AN ADDED PROMISE—"If Thou wilt walk in my ways, to keep my statutes and my commandments, . . . then I will lengthen thy days." 1 Kings 3:14.

PRAYER—Lord, Thou hast promised to satisfy with long life every one that sets His love on Thee.

AUTUMNAL

There's music in the crackling sound Of Autumn leaves beneath our feet When Nature paints the scenes around—

Work that no artist can repeat; And in the silences profound, Where gold and scarlet banners meet

With purple traceries inwound, The spell of magic is complete.

The flowers, our dear companions, now Are mostly in a dying state. Late gladioli, white they glow, Begin to meet the common fate; And, in the pine tree singing low, The bird is whispering to his mate A warning, as the bleak winds blow, That Winter's waiting at the gate.

While Autumn's tang is wild and sweet, Lured by the keen, delicious air, Far from the haunt of city street, We feast on Nature's sumptuous fare.

The sense of mystery complete, Our pathway picturesque and fair, Ours is a spiritual treat, A blessing we hope others share, — Frederick B. Fenton, ed.

That Body of Ours

Baby Goods

Where there's a baby there's always need of items from a drug store. As we make a specialty of nursing goods, you can probably do better here than elsewhere. Our goods are of the best quality.

NURSING BOTTLES, BRUSHES, PUFFS, PACIFIERS, BRUSHES, ETC. BABY POWDERS, SOAPS, STEARAH ZINC, HAIR SEE WINDOW.

The White Drug Store J. G. JAMIESON

The Public Forum

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown does not necessarily endorse the opinions of correspondents.

SHALL CANADA DO AS ESAU DID

Sir.—If we take the American press as speaking for the American people, we must conclude that the result of the recent Dominion election was satisfactory and pleasing to the great Republic. Now, what influence can we draw from this accepted fact? We must in the first place, infer that had the Conservatives been returned victorious, our great neighbor would have been displeased. The American press claims the result as a proof of Canada's friendship. There seems to me to be two outstanding reasons for one nation desiring the friendship of another. They are fear and hope of trouble, aggression, war, or punishment, hope of gain or profit.

Which of the two can apply in this case? One nation fears another only when that nation is warlike, powerful and influential. Every school-child knows well that America has nothing to fear from Canada. Canada compares with the States in wealth, in power almost as a mouse to a lion. Canada at present is like a man with a great lot of land without the means or ability to make it produce. To use a rural expression, Canada is landings poor. Fear then could not have caused the jubilation. We must conclude it was hope, expectation, anticipation of more freedom, of trade, affording a market for American goods. Expectation of profit from access to Canada's natural resources, forests, mines, fields and fisheries.

When a sharper tries to "do" a poor man in a matter of buying or selling and is foiled by brains and sagacity equal, or better than his own, he goes off in silent chagrin, muttering something about people not a good thing where it is offered them. That is just the way the Americans acted when Canada rejected the Reciprocity pact! They did not say much but they were evidently chagrined.

Even now they are "reckoning without the host." Canada is still protective at heart. The Conservatives were out voted, not on their policy of Canada for Canadians, but they were out voted by pro-Americans and Canadians who foolishly allowed old sores and grudges to come between them and their country's welfare. The story of Esau might well be taken to heart by Canadians. He was the first born of Isaac and the grandson of Abraham. He was fortunate in the natural and lawful position of being progenitor of the great of Gods Chosen people—prophets, priests and kings. Yet in his weakness and folly he despised his birthright and sold his heritage for a mess of pottage! Shall Canada do likewise? Shall Canadians who have been given this great land, who have been protected and cradled and coddled by the greatest empire that has been, who are free as the birds of the air—shall they now despise their heritage, dishonor their fathers and sell their country for a mess of pottage? I am Sir, etc.

JOSEF W. HALL ARRESTED AS SPY BY CHINESE ARMY

SHANGHAI, Oct. 12.—Josef W. Hall, teacher and newspaper man, is a prisoner in Sun Chuan-fang's headquarters, in Nanking, where charges of spying have been placed against him. Hall, who is a lecturer at the University of Michigan, was on trial for magazine articles, when he was captured in Suchow, midway between Shanghai and Nanking. He was charged with being a spy in the employ of the Cantonese. Hall carried American passports. Josef Washington Hall was formerly a missionary at Shantung, and about 10 years ago entered newspaper work. He is the author of books and articles dealing with China, and speaks Chinese fluently. He formerly was associated with General Wu Peifu in an advisory capacity.

Woman Veterinary In Warsaw

WARSAW, Oct. 12.—Mrs. Helen Jurgiewicz, wife of the aide to the President of the republic, is Poland's only scientifically trained woman veterinary surgeon. The World War, her love of animals and necessity brought Mrs. Jurgiewicz to her profession. When the Ukrainians were of the gates of Lvov, her home, Mrs. Jurgiewicz enlisted as a regular soldier and later reached the rank of sergeant. She was wounded by shrapnel and upon recovery was attached to one of the cavalry regiments as veterinary. She remained two years on the Bolshevik line and was again wounded while treating horses near the front.

After the war she was made veterinarian for the city of Warsaw, and also had under her care all the horses of the Warsaw cavalry regiments. Mrs. Jurgiewicz is the daughter of Professor Bujwid, a celebrated Polish bacteriologist, and has three sisters who are physicians. After she left high school in 1914 she tried to gain admission to the Austrian Veterinary Academy at Lvov, but was rejected. Finally she was allowed to attend as a special student and, working with men, completed a four year's course and passed her examinations. But it was not until Poland took over Lvov that she was granted her degree as the first woman graduate of the Academy. She is now preparing a doctorate thesis on animal diseases.

Strange Tales From Hurricane Swept Miami

(Canadian Press.) TORONTO, Ont., Oct. 11.—Writing of the Miami hurricane, Mrs. George Lovie, in her letter to a sister in this city, says: "Our little house withstood the terrible wind and is the only building left on the street that was not either blown down or had the roof carried off. The house was full of people, as we took in all we had room for, and it the windows had broken in we would have been gone. During the height of the hurricane I was on my knees for four hours mopping up the water, or we would have been flooded out of the house. I was also able to shelter several women with their little babies, and no doubt saved their lives."

Three Year Divorce Case Is Closed

(Canadian Press.) EDMONTON, Alta., Oct. 11.—A decree absolute in an ancient divorce case was signed recently in the Supreme Court by Mr. Justice Walsh. William Ambrose Fodey is the plaintiff in the action against Eva Fodey, which came to trial before Mr. Justice Ives on January 24, 1924, the order nisi being then granted, subject to the usual three months stay. The final order had never been presented before until the plaintiff moved last week to have his marriage completely dissolved, in accordance with the findings of the divorce court of close upon three years ago.

FORMER SENATOR BELIEVED IN LINE FOR OTTAWA POST

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—In view of the fact that the Canadian government is sending Hon. Vincent Massey to Washington as representative of the dominion government interests is beginning to be aroused here as to who will be sent to Ottawa by the United States.

The United States government has not discussed any one with the Canadian government so far. One of the suggestions made some time ago was that Col. John G. Foster, diplomatic status. The name of Senator Lenroot of Wisconsin, who has been defeated for renomination in the primaries, is among those mentioned. Senator Lenroot is well known to Canadian public men and has taken an active interest in urging the improvement of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence waterway.

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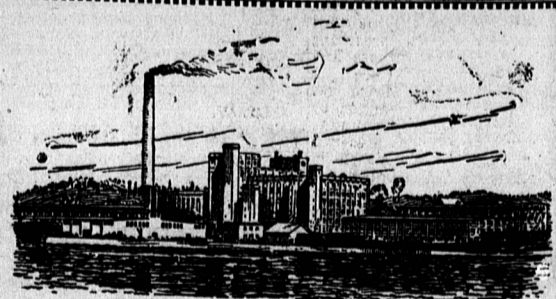
THE 2 MACS DRUGSTORE

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THE GOOD THAT MEN DO LIVES AFTER THEM advertisement for Eastern Trust Company.

Montreal Light, Heat and Power Consolidated 5 P. C. Bonds advertisement.



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