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SIGNIFICANT SYMPTOMS

The evident disintegration of the MacKenzie King Liberal party which has been in process practically since its assumption of office in 1921, has been greatly accelerated during the past few weeks.

The retirement from the cabinet of its admittedly two strongest men, Hon. W. S. Fielding and Sir Lomer Gouin, the respective leaders of the English and French branches of the party, is a blow from which the Government will not soon recover.

The logical successor to Sir Lomer is Mr. Ernest Lapointe, who figured so conspicuously and to the detriment of his party in the recent bye-elections in Halifax and Kent.

Who is to succeed Fielding in the Maritime provinces? Certainly there is no Liberal in sight who can fill the bill.

It has been rumored for some time that Sir Lomer Gouin was not happy in his cabinet life. For a number of years he was a leading figure in Quebec politics, dominating the situation federally and provincially.

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widely circulated paper in Quebec, an extract which clearly shows that Quebec Liberalism is rapidly awakening to a realization of the fact that they have received a stone instead of the bread promised them in 1921.

THE CITY BEAUTIFUL

Pride in the city we live in, is as commendable and as essential to the city as is our pride in our homes. The home in which its occupants take no pride in adorning, practically no pride in adorning, practically no pride in adorning.

Similarly the attitude of citizens towards each other and towards their visitors, is a large factor in the attractiveness or unattractiveness of a city.

and towns and villages not is it because of the absence of these that we dislike others. Everyone has felt "at home" in certain cities and very distinctly "not at home" in others.

In such a city the citizens take pride in maintaining law and order, in assisting the officers of the law in observing the civic regulations.

In Charlottetown we have a city to be proud of, a city which for its size and geographical situation has no superior in Canada.

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Notes By the Way

Hon. John E. Sinclair, M. P. in an interview with The Patriot reports "conditions in good shape" at the national capital.

The reason for the ministerial and party hope and cheer are varied. Premier Massey of New Zealand passed through Ottawa on his way home towards and was given a banquet. Premier King has come back from overseas after having left the impress of his mind upon the high council of the Empire where "his speeches were a revelation to the ablest statesmen."

Mr. Sinclair makes two references to the recent bye-elections. In the first of these references he expressed his opinion "that the bye-elections recently held in Halifax and Kent counties will have little effect upon the general standing of the parties and no exceptional significance upon the Government."

The second reference to the bye-elections made by Mr. Sinclair is reported near the close of the interview. He had heard no talk of a general election and believes there are no signs of it in the immediate future.

We have our doubts about the efficacy of this method of gaining strength. But if Mr. Sinclair and his ministerial colleagues have faith in it we may expect a lot of bye-elections in the near future.

All will join in regret for the illness of Hon. Mr. Fielding, now followed by that of Sir Lomer Gouin, involving the resignation of the latter from the Government.

A calm review of the political situation does not justify Mr. Sinclair's professed optimism. It will not rally the depressed spirits of the rank and file of his former supporters.

The Public Forum

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinion expressed by its correspondents.

Serious Allegations

Sir—Mr. J. O. Hyndman, President of the Prince Edward Island Associated Boards of Trade, has a letter or article in the Guardian of the 28th inst., which should receive some attention.

Mr. Hyndman begins by pointing out that the Boards of Trade ever since organized have continuously and persistently urged the standardization of our railway, and better freight and passenger service. He says much that has already been achieved but more remains to be done, and that he and the Associated Boards of which he is the President will not "rest content" until the whole railway is standardized.

When the Transportation Committee gave me the peculiar report to the press containing me and ex-operating Supt. Grady, I was compelled to give a statement to the press reciting the facts and giving the names of my informants, who by the way were railway officials.

Miss Eileen Longworth, Hillhurst, entertained at a Bridge and Mah-Jongg party Thursday afternoon. Quite a number of young people came in at the tea hour, tea being poured by Mrs. H. E. Miller, while Mrs. Noel DeBlois cut the ices.

Miss Kathleen Hornby has returned to Halifax to resume her musical studies after the holiday spent with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hornby.

A cordial welcome is being extended to Mr. Robert Beal, who has arrived on a short visit from Hamilton, Ont., and is the guest of Mr. A. A. Pomeroy.

Mrs. W. S. Stewart is leaving on Monday for Moncton where she will join her sister, Mrs. F. C. Jones, on a three months visit to Colorado and California.

Happenings of the Week

HOW HAVE A HAPPY NEW YEAR

To leave the old with a burst of song. To recall the right and forgive the wrong. To forget the thing that binds you fast. To the vain regrets of the year that's past.

His Honor The Lieutenant Governor received a large list of callers on New Year's afternoon attended by his Aides-de-champ, Col. S. R. Jenkins and Col. A. G. Peake and Private Secretary Captain Palmer.

A turkey supper and dancing at the Rose & Grey on the same evening was equally enjoyed and these with private receptions, teas and family parties made up a week of gaiety.

Miss A. Ross of Summerside, who is spending a week in the city is being pleasantly entertained by her friends.

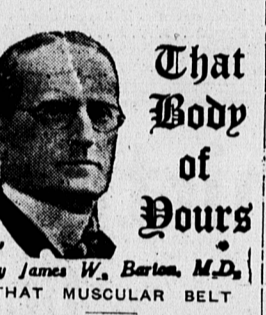
Mrs. W. H. V. Dunbar was among the hostesses this week, entertaining at a prettily arranged tea on Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Constance Wear is leaving this morning to resume her studies at the Conservatory of Music in Toronto.

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Mrs. Ewen W. McKinnon received for the first time since taking up her residence in Charlottetown, at the Russ yesterday afternoon. She was assisted in her pleasant duties by Mrs. C. L. Miles, and welcomed a long list of callers, who were ushered in by Mrs. Carruthers.

CONFEDERATION LIFE ASSOCIATION. The Directors, Officers and Field Force of the CONFEDERATION LIFE ASSOCIATION. Extend to Policyholders and the Public The Compliments of the Season. During the year just passed real progress has been made in all departments of the Association's business.



That Body of Yours By James W. Barton, M.D. THAT MUSCULAR BELT. In a former article I recommended corsets for everybody, having in mind of course the corsets made of muscle with which Nature has provided everyone of us.

Daily Selections FOR Guardian Readers DAYS. Some days one touches lightly As seagulls touch the foam. Finding no joy for dreaming; Or joy that is to come.

Curiosity. The most common of all the human traits dates back to Adam and Eve and Responsible for all our Worldly Worries. We are new—you are CURIOUS to see what we have to offer—we are CURIOUS to find out what you think of our merchandise. We are already well advertised which again is CURIOUS. Let your CURIOSITY tempt you to see our line and it will indeed be CURIOUS if we don't make a customer and a friend.

A Resolution for 1924. What is your estate worth? Take stock. Would it yield your dependents a livable income? If not, resolve to make suitable provision for them by investing in a Great-West Life Income policy. Rates on a contract to meet your requirements cheerfully furnished.