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THE Charlottetown Guardian

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THE ELECTION AND AFTER

The Mathieson Government is still at the old stand, in spite of the "doom" which the Patriot held over its head for the past six months. And the editor of the Patriot is still at his old stand, in spite of his fond anticipation that he would have been "dignifying" the office of Premier by his august presence in the capacity of First Minister. It was fated the Government should be returned by a substantial working majority, better than many by which the Liberals ran the administration for years; and it was fated that the Patriot should prove once more a false prophet and treacherous guide. Not a few good citizens misled by the Patriot's optimism into expressing Grit aspirations are now bewailing their lack of diplomacy. It is wisdom not to halloo until one is out of the wood.

Our contemporary has no apology or explanation to offer for its misrepresentations; it simply just asks its readers to wait another four years and then—"You will see what you shall see."

One statement is noteworthy, however. The Patriot admits after the election that "Mr Nash refused to sign the anti-auto pledge."

What have our anti-auto friends to say to this? What have the people of Belfast to say, who were led to believe by the solemn assurance given by Mr Forbes in Mr Nash's presence that he (Mr Nash) was pledged against the automobiles? It is a point hardly worth referring to, were it not that it affords a flagrant example of the sort of canvas with which the Grits misled the electors. They made accusations and promises which they knew to be false and intended merely to hoodwink the farmers.

The majority of the electors were not taken in, however, and the Government has been returned for another four years' rule. Much may be done in the interval, and many changes take place, but we are safe in predicting that at the end of that period the Grits will have even less chance of attaining power than they had on the present occasion.

Charlottetown and Royalty did remarkably well on the ballot. An analysis of the votes shows that there was a drop of only two per cent on the franchise poll, and while the property vote showed a greater decline, that was an indication that owners, who are naturally aligned with the Grit party, preferred to remain at home rather than vote against a Government which had done so well by the Province.

In Georgetown there was a remarkable vote. Premier Mathieson polled a majority of no less than 227 over his opponent, Mr Peter McCourt, who will probably lose his deposit; while Mr R. J. McLellan secured a majority of 232. It is quite evident that the Fifth District of Queen's has absolutely no doubt about the qualifications of Premier Mathieson and his colleague to carry on successfully the affairs of the Province.

When all is said and done, the fact remains that after the most strenuous fight in the history of the Province the Mathieson Government has been returned on its merits to serve a second term.

The Patriot did not expect this—or it lied. The Grit candidates did not expect this—or they lied. The Grit orators, Messrs Brodie, Palmer and Brady, did not expect this—or they lied.

Therefore the whole Grit organization was taken by surprise, and now they are busy trying to find excuses and explanations. They need not worry; it was with them as Mr Higgs foretold in his wonderful vision; they had already been weighed in the balance and found wanting.

With other four years experience in the Opposition the Grits may be able to fix upon a leader and draft a programme with which to go to the country. Meantime the less they have to say about "dooms" and "doomsday" the better will their disappointed following be pleased, for they have been done brown and don't like it.

MOST SOBER ELECTION RECORDED

A minister and member of the Temperance Alliance asks us to state that Thursday's election was "the soberest, most orderly and quietest" in his experience.

Everyone, Grit or Tory, will endorse this.

Buy why should it be otherwise under Conservative rule? The policy of the present Government has been to improve the social conditions, to raise the standard of morals, and to extend the prohibitory powers of the Government regarding the liquor law and the Corrupt Practices Act. It was for this purpose it in 1913 strengthened the law regarding the sale and distribution of liquor at elections. Heretofore the law was such that a carriage and six could be driven through it, and very often the carriage was chock full of whisky. In the present election there was very little drunkenness in evidence. Our contemporary alleges that it hears liquor was imported into some districts. If it can supply the necessary evidence that would lead to a conviction of anybody, it is its duty to communicate at once with the Attorney-General. The Guardian received several complaints of the distribution of drink by the Liberals, and in every instance demanded of the complainants such particulars and details as would justify prosecution. As was to be expected, the evidence was not forthcoming, and we did not consider we were justified in publishing the reports. A different standard evidently prevails in the Patriot Office. Our contemporary has not the courage to make any definite charges, but nevertheless publishes rumours about what it has heard.

For instance, the Patriot states that "it is currently reported that into one candidate's district were sent five hundred dollars in cash and one hundred cases of liquors."

Mr Chandler made a similar charge with regard to the dollars against three Liberal automobile owners. When challenged by Premier Mathieson to give the names so that the alleged bribery could be identified, Mr Chandler climbed down and said he was not in a position to do so.

We repeat the challenge to the Patriot which again gives currency to the report. If our contemporary is in any better position than Mr Chandler to substantiate the charge it is in duty bound to do so. Otherwise it is for the Automobile Association or the Liberal Members thereof, to take action in self-defence.

A lady, the mother of one distinguished Liberal and the widow of another, informed the Guardian that Thursday was more like a Sunday than an election day, and not in her recollection had she experienced such quietness or witnessed better behaviour.

Each district we have heard from reports a similar satisfactory state of affairs, so that if the Patriot or any

other disappointed politicians claim that "rum" played any part in the decision of the election, our readers may take it that the drink must have been distributed by themselves or with their cognizance.

MACHINE GUN SURPLUSES

The Guardian has been instrumental in raising several gun funds in the province, and the response has been more than generous. As the result of our efforts there has been subscribed directly and indirectly about \$15,000 for machine guns. We have two lists now on hand, one in which there is a credit balance of about \$2,000 and the other, the roadmasters', with a credit of about \$130.

Now Senator Loughheed, who was acting Minister of Militia until last week, has issued the following to the press: "Donations for machine guns already have exceeded the expectations of the Government. The Government has placed an order for all the machine guns at present available, and further donations would not result in furnishing any additional equipment of guns to our troops."

This being so, it has occurred to us that it would be a wise and patriotic movement to transfer the amount at the credit of our Machine Gun Funds in the Royal Bank and Canadian Bank of Commerce to the Canadian Patriotic Fund, which is greatly in need of funds.

The Canadian Patriotic Fund was incorporated in August 1914 for the purpose of collecting, administering and distributing a fund for the assistance, in case of need, of the wives, children and dependent relatives of officers and men, residents of Canada, who, during the present War, may be on active service with the naval and military forces of the British Empire and Great Britain's allies.

The Charter of the Fund was afterwards amended so that temporary assistance might be rendered to the widows of men killed in action or dying on service, and to men invalided home to Canada by reason of wounds and sickness.

Help is accorded to soldiers' families through the medium of local branches which act in accordance with principles and suggestions laid down by the Executive Committee at Ottawa. By this means it is possible to secure a satisfactory measure of uniformity throughout Canada and reasonable immunity from imposition or over-lapping to ensure that no families, no matter in what part of Canada they may be living, will be neglected, and to effect an equitable distribution of the large subscriptions made by national corporations.

We have been asked by Sir W. W. Sullivan to appeal for further assistance for this laudable object, but before making another direct appeal we wish to ask permission to transfer the sums already in hand for guns to the Patriotic Fund.

The Government does not want more guns. To hand the money to the Militia Department would mean to lock it up indefinitely, if not for ever. By transferring it to the Patriotic Fund we would be giving immediate relief and assistance to many of our brave people who have already suffered by the war. We think every contributor to the Machine Gun Funds will gladly assent to the proposal we make, and if we hear nothing to the contrary before Thursday, September 23, we shall take it for granted that it is unanimously agreed that the transfer be approved.

UNLUCKY THIRTEEN

The Patriot is busily trying to find reasons to discount the Government's victory. One of the many suggested is that one or two of the Liberal-Conservatives returned are "independents." Like other of our contemporary's statements this is wholly untrue. Every member elected has been constitutionally nominated by the party Conventions, has accepted Premier Mathieson as leader, and has promised "of his own free will and accord" loyal support to Premier Mathieson. The seventeen Government supporters are united and whole-hearted in their allegiance to the party and in loyalty to its head.

The same cannot be claimed for the thirteen—unlucky number—Grits, for they have so far no party and no leader to whom to be obedient. Already there is a strong canvas being made for leadership, four competitors being in the field. We may safely prophesy that the Unlucky Thirteen will not make a happy family, for three of the four aspirants to leadership are sure to make it uncomfortable for the fourth.

GERMAN TREACHERY

A recent edition of the Belgian Grey Book contains a dramatic account of the conversation at Berlin between Herr Von Jagow, the German Foreign Secretary, and Baron Beyens, the Belgian Minister, over the demand of Germany that her troops be allowed to pass through Belgium to attack France. It is related that Von Jagow said: "We have been compelled by absolute necessity to make upon your government this demand. It is for Germany a question of life and death. In order that she may not be crushed, she must herself first crush France, and then turn against Russia. If the Belgian army does not blow up bridges and allows us to occupy Liege and itself retires to Antwerp, we promise not only to respect Belgian independence and the life and property of the inhabitants, but also to pay you indemnity."

To this base appeal to greed, Baron Beyens replied: "What would you say if we were to yield to a similar menace on the part of France? You would say that we were cowards, incapable of defending our neutrality and of leading an independent life."

There was expressed the whole nut of the Belgian gallantry. No wonder the German Secretary could find no adequate answer to it.

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May Thy joy of Thy salvation Be their strength and stay May thy love, and may they praise Thee Day by Day.

Holy spirit let Thy teaching Sanctify their life Send Thy grace that they may conquer In the Strife.

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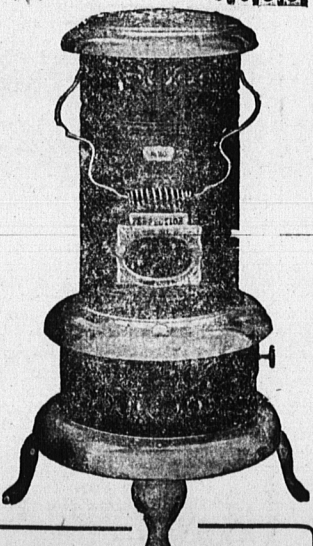
FOUR GERMAN PRISONERS CAPTURED.

S. JOHN, N.B., Sept. 14.—The four young German prisoners who escaped from the detention camp at Amherst last Friday were captured this morning in an open boat in the Bay of Fundy off Point Lepreau. It is presumed they must have cruised along the coast from the head of the Bay near Chignecto isthmus. They seemed to be well clad, and when asked if they wanted anything to eat, replied that they were not hungry. So far as could be learned, however, they had no stock of provisions in their boat.

The fog was very heavy in the Bay this morning. About 8.30 o'clock the little craft put into Chance Harbour, but did not remain long, turning out to sea again and running along as far as Lepreau. There the lighthouse keeper, Wilson Snider, saw them, and telephoned to J. C. Chesley, agent for the Marine and Fisheries Department. He was instructed to keep watch upon them. Communication was got with Chance Harbour and a big power boat put out from there and the men were taken into custody. The prisoners—Richard Lehr, aged 27 years; Henrick Crippeckerl, aged 25 years; Hein Schebbelmann, aged 33 years, and Herman Shrifhaeckel, aged 26 years—were brought to the city this afternoon, in a motor car in charge of F. G. Goodspeed, of the Public Works Department, and were lodged in jail and will be taken to Amherst to-morrow.

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