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# THE Charlottetown Guardian

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Monday September 6th, being Labor Day and a statutory Public Holiday, the Morning Guardian will not be issued on Tuesday. The Evening Guardian will not be issued on Monday but will be published as usual on Tuesday. Advertisers please note these changes.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1915.

## GRITS AND AGE LIMIT

The Grit politicians, who are making a bid for the sympathy as well as the suffrages (to say nothing of the suffering) of the people, made a great howl about the Mathieson Government setting the age limit for road taxation at 65 years. They conveniently forgot to mention that in 1901 they themselves set the age limit at 70, as may be read in section 36 of the Public Roads Act of that year, where the limits are specifically laid down as "between the ages of twenty-one and seventy years." They conveniently forgot also to mention the fact that Premier Mathieson, then leader of the opposition, and all his fellow-Conservative members strenuously opposed this, urging that the limit was too high. When the wily Grits saw the storm approaching which later engulfed them they at a subsequent session, went to the opposite extreme and placed the limit at 60. This also Mr. Mathieson and his colleagues opposed as being extreme in the other direction, but the Grits had the vote and they carried it as they had carried the former.

At a later stage during their lingering death-struggle which continued for a number of years they had their plans laid for a general increase in land taxes. The Patriot, then as now, trimming its sails for the storm, began to make the farmers thankful for what they were about to receive by informing them that there were some 15,000 of them and that really they were paying very little, only about a tenth of what the more fortunate farmers of Ontario were paying. If they paid a little more it wouldn't hurt them and they would be shown what the "progressive," "economic" and otherwise adjectived Grits would do with the tax—and to it! But the farmers saw the game and when they had finished with the Grits at the next election there were only two of that party left and so the farmers escaped taxation.

Now that the province has an overflowing treasury and business has been placed on a business basis these same Grits have the gall to ask to be given another chance! What do the farmers think of it?

## THE INTEREST TEST

The Patriot tries to escape from the dilemma of comparing the amount of interest from year to year as a true indication of the amount of the Provincial Debt, by claiming that the interest of the Sinking Fund should not be considered in such a calculation. That is a truly childish contention. The Sinking Fund is so much money laid by every year against the debt, which is equivalent to paying so much off. Instead of being paid to the bond holders, it is invested and in this case it happens to be invested at the same rate of interest as the bonds bear. Hence anyone can see that were it paid on the bonds they would be reduced to the extent of such payments and consequently the interest charged would be reduced as well.

Thus it will be seen at a glance that to find the net interest we pay annually, we must, to be correct, deduct the interest we receive from the interest we pay.

The Patriot goes further in its folly. It says that there was \$10,126.65 of unpaid interest according to Mr. Binning's report. This is not correct. Mr. Binning does not say "unpaid interest," he says "accrued interests," quite a different matter, although not worth considering so far as it affects the fairness of the comparison. But if the accrued interest is to be reckoned we may observe that Messrs. Rossborough and Dench found that in the two months and two days following the close of the financial year, Sept. 30, 1911, the Liberal Government had to pay \$12,613.18 of interest on the debt and leave \$12,084.89 as accrued and unpaid interest besides.

These figures speak for themselves. They show that a large amount of interest was carried over into the next financial year after the close of the last Liberal year, 1911, which the present Government had to pay.

As a further proof that the interest charge is going down the estimate for 1915 as calculated by Mr. Newberry, whose estimates are always very reliable, is \$37,900 against \$39,900 for 1914, which was a slight underestimate. Our statement in Wednesday and Friday was fair and quite correct. The debt is being reduced in the proportion stated since 1911 and the interest charge is melting down as well.

## "A BEGGAR ON HORSEBACK"

In the heat of a political address at Pownal, ex-Premier Palmer made personal reflections upon Premier Mathieson. After reading part of what he said in next morning's Guardian, he is chagrined, but instead of taking the manly course and sending an apology, he immediately writes to the Patriot that "he made no personal attack on Premier Mathieson." The people who heard Mr. Palmer's virulent outburst must be more surprised at the disclaimer than they were at the attack. Does Mr. Palmer deny that he described Premier Mathieson as "a beggar on horseback?" Does he mean to insinuate that that had reference to the Premier's office and not to the Premier personally? To what did he allude if he referred to the office? But we are satisfied that the reference was personal and not impersonal, and for that reason he cannot hope to escape the consequences of his ill-judged and ill-conceived attack. Like Mr. Bentley, Mr. Palmer tries to cover up the malignity of his action by stating that he holds Mr. Mathieson personally "in the highest respect." Bah!

"When devils will the blackest sin put on,  
They do suggest at first with heavenly shows."

The essence of Mr. Mathieson's offending, as Mr. A. A. McLean pointed out, is first, that he is a farmer's son, and second, that he has succeeded in breaking through the aristocratic ring which held the Premiership a private preserve. Mr. Palmer may try and wriggle out of the predicament the best he can, but nothing he may now say will remove the impression he has created that he and his friends are jealous of the intrusion and competition of the farmers' sons.

## FARMERS' SONS AND THE ELECT

What right has a farmer's son to aspire to the Premiership and keep the "blue-blooded" Palmers out in the cold? Why should Democratic Conservatives rise and put aristocratic Grits in the shade? Why shouldn't the hard-working farmer keep his boys at the plough instead of educating them to enter into competition with the so-called elect of Charlottetown?

We are not surprised at Mr. Palmer's chagrin. He was the last of the autocratic aristocrats to hold office as Premier, and the last Premier to run the Province into debt. He and his party are likely to remain out in the cold until they repent in sack cloth and ashes. But while we are not surprised at his chagrin we are more than surprised at the lack of wisdom which dictated the public outburst. There is no room in public life for those who wantonly and willfully indulge in platform personalities, and Mr. Palmer merely writes himself down a failure by pursuing such a course.

Farmers and farmers' sons will not soon forget the Grit sneer at a "beggar on horseback."

## OUR "TRUTHFUL" CONTEMPORARY

How is this for truth and reliability? The Patriot discussing the unexpected appearance of Premier Mathieson at Vernon River meeting says:

"At Souris, on Wednesday morning, Mr. Hughes saw Mr. Mathieson and Mr. A. L. Fraser, Ex-M. P., leave by train (not the regular train) and Mr. Hughes knew perfectly well where they were bound for, and knew that as Mr. Fraser was a native of Vernon River he would likely speak."

Premier Mathieson was not near the railway on Wednesday and did not take train to Vernon River. He was at Red House on Tuesday and drove thence to Vernon River on Wednesday.

## CITY vs. COUNTRY CHILDREN?

This question is suggested by the attitude adopted by the Grit orators in Queen's County. These people mostly from Charlottetown are going about the country and saying if they are returned they will cut the school curriculum in the country down to the three fundamentals, reading, writing and arithmetic. That is, the Grits consider that farmers' children are not entitled to the higher branches of education necessary nowadays to fit them for the battle in life. The Grits, if they were to get back to power, would institute a retrograde movement in education and deprive the country children of all benefit from education except, what the fundamentals or rudiments provide. Let the farmers ask these city orators whether they would be satisfied to have their children learn nothing at the public schools but reading, writing and arithmetic? If not, why not? Why should there be one curriculum for Mr. Palmer's children and another for the farmers' children, who are providing the means whereby lawyers "enjoy" a precarious existence?

We tell the farmers what this policy implies. It implies that the city Grits are jealous of the rise and competition of the children from the country. They don't want the country boys and girls to come into Charlottetown and compete with their boys and girls. No, they say, let us keep all our snug city billets for ourselves and our children, and let the country people keep their boys and girls in ignorance, then they will be satisfied to remain hewers of wood and carriers of water to our children of the city when they attain to man's estate. Let the Palmers and the Grits lord it over the farmers of the next generation as they have been doing in the present generation, and the best way to do this is to keep the farmers' children without education except in the fundamentals of reading, writing and arithmetic.

## VERY SUSPICIOUS

It is quite possible that Mr Bentley is sincere in his temperance convictions. No one will doubt that he is not only strictly temperate in his personal habits, but that he would gladly see the last vestige of the liquor traffic banished from the province, provided he himself suffered no inconvenience or loss thereby. But when he speaks of "my friend, the present Premier," acknowledging "the many and great benefits obtained for this province by the Premier and those associated with him in his Government during the past four years," and then proceeds to stab his "friend" in the back, and becomes the hireling of those who are campaigning against his "friend," his sincerity comes under very grave suspicion and the "axe" that he is so anxious to grind becomes painfully evident.

## NOTES

The London Daily Mail says: At every critical moment of the great struggle for human freedom Russia has given ungrudging aid. When the German hosts in full tide of victory were streaming into France and pouring, as it seemed, in irresistible flood upon Paris, a bold Russian thrust into Prussian territory, compelled the enemy to divert troops to the East. The Russian force suffered total disaster at Tannenberg late in August after five fearful days of battle—but its work was done and France was saved.

## DAILY SELECTIONS FOR GUARDIAN READERS

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## HAVE PATIENCE!

In these swift-moving days when society, business and church are all running at high pressure, when slowness is regarded as a greater disgrace than inaccuracy, and when the universal ambition is to "get there" in the shortest time, there is more need of old-fashioned patience than ever before in human history, and there is possibly greater danger of lacking this grace.

Someone has wisely said that we need to have patience with ourselves, and most of us will bear ready testimony in this very patent fact.

If there is one thing we do not understand in this world it is our own nature, and its revelations of weakness and infirmity are apt to prove exceedingly discouraging to us, especially to our younger days. The slow-moving plodder measures himself against

the apparently rapid-travelling genius, and he is prepared to give up the struggle at once. He hares and the tortoise have no meaning for him, as he thinks the days of the tortoise have gone. But when twenty-five years, or even ten years, have gone by, if the tortoise of today has kept his pace steadily and without discouragement, he is amazed to find that the old, old fable still applies, and the tortoise has come out ahead.

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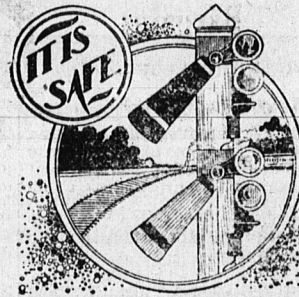


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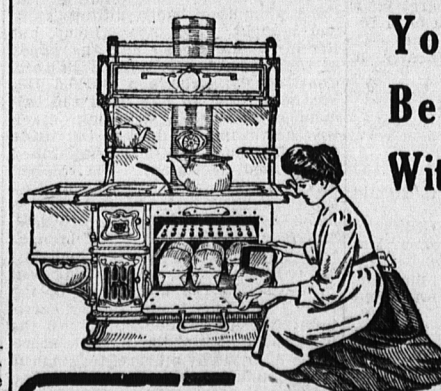
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