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THE MARKET HALL MEETING

It would perhaps not be too much to say that the joint political meeting in the Market Hall on Thursday night was in many ways the most satisfactory meeting of the kind ever held in the city. There was an earnestness and a seriousness about it which is seldom witnessed at a political gathering. Too often a joint political meeting is regarded as a sort of cockfight, the interest centering around the flying feathers, each party cheering its own champion, urging him on and applauding him when he gets his spurs into his opponent. There was nothing of this at Thursday's meeting; it was a sane, sensible, intelligent audience of men and women of both political parties anxious to hear at first hand both the accusation and the defense. In this mood the audience listened, giving both sides an attentive but critical hearing. Unstinted applause was given by the friends of the different speakers and there were no interruptions. The Bell government was on the defensive and its advocates, Messrs. Higgs and Duffy made the best of what they both evidently realized was a bad case. The atmosphere of the meeting was against them. The warm and prolonged and frequent applause which had greeted Dr. MacMillan's forceful charges against the government gave at the very outset a clear indication of the sentiment of the audience and that sentiment was strongly against the government. Mr. Higgs felt this and it clearly tempered and modified his customary assurance. His assertion that he had not promised to reduce the poll tax, that it was the government that made the promise, fell on incredulous ears and in silence. What the audience realized was that the promise was broken. There were other ominous silences during the course of his speech, silences after carefully prepared and eloquent periods, when applause was expected. Mr. Duffy approached the tribunal with even less assurance than Mr. Higgs, but with a certain air of defiance which also failed to convince. His figures, rapidly rattled off, meant nothing to the audience as they could not follow them. His statement that he had not promised to reduce the poll tax looked like throwing the onus upon Mr. Higgs. Here also he faced a blank wall of unanimous silence. Other remarks of both the Liberal candidates, a summary of which was given in yesterday's Guardian and the subject matter of which has been fully discussed during the campaign and which constitutes the issue between the two parties, were received with applause from their friends. But the volume of applause indicated that it was not general throughout the audience and that there were no converts. The reception given to Dr. MacMillan and Mr. McLure, the Conservative candidates, not only when they rose to speak but throughout and at the close of their addresses, was an inspiration to both and no doubt did much to warm up their eloquence, for certainly both were eloquent as well as convincing. That the great majority of the audience was with them and determined to support them, no one could doubt at any time during the meeting. Of this, they themselves were fully convinced. They felt that they were addressing friends and their speeches on this auspicious occasion formed a new bond between them and the electors of Charlottetown, which, there is no doubt, will on the 26th instant become the official bond between representatives and constituents.

TWAS EVER THUS

When the fond young mother proudly orders her first born to be brought in so that her friends may see for themselves that he is the greatest thing that ever happened and "the exact image of his father," that youngster generally acts as if he were seven times possessed. This has happened to many a proud mother and the occurrence has more than once gone a long way towards taking the joy out of her young life. This observation is merely apropos of a similar occurrence in the historic Belfast district during the present memorable campaign. One of the honourable representatives of that district was on his daily canvassing round. He was extremely anxious to show off the Bell government's first and only baby, the improved highways. His Overland had been oiled and gassed for the occasion and he was sailing along at a modest and easy pace of about 25 miles an hour when he struck one of the "election sections" recently turned upside down to give employment to "deserving Democrats." The car trembled, groaned, struggled, skidded and finally went into what is geographically known as "Pat King's Spring." Assistance was sent for; three men with tearis arrived in due course and finally the "darned thing" was hauled out. The disgusted representative gave the salvage corps a cheque for \$20 but no remarks were exchanged about the great highway, the government's first born and only baby.

THAT POLL TAX

Under the caption "Mr. McLure Wrong" yesterday's Patriot states that Mr. McLure was in error when he said "there is not a province in Canada that has a poll tax but ours." What Mr. McLure said was that there was not a province in Canada that had a provincial poll tax. Everyone knows there are poll taxes in every province, imposed by city or municipal authority. The Patriot cites Nova Scotia and New Brunswick as instances but admits that their poll taxes are municipal and not provincial. Charlottetown has long had a city poll tax; practically every school district in the province has a poll tax. The objection raised to the Bell government's poll tax is that it is a poll tax added to poll taxes.

MR. HESSIAN DENIES

Mr. S. S. Hessian gives the Patriot a denial that he "made such a statement" that he had a letter from Premier Bell in his pocket saying that he was appointed Attorney General. The Guardian has it on reliable authority that Mr. Hessian made this statement. Perhaps Mr. Hessian will tell the Patriot or the Guardian just what he said to have led the audience to give his remarks this construction.

PATRIOT'S REPORTS

Those who attended the joint political meeting in Market Hall on Thursday night and have read yesterday's Patriot's report of it, headlines and all, will know what reliance to place on its reports of political meetings in the country. It requires a very vivid and biased imagination, which the Patriot evidently possesses, to arrive at the conclusion that the Liberal candidates "had the better in the argument" or that "the volume of applause for the Liberals" was restrained at first, "noticeably increased as the meeting continued."

Notes by the Way

It is but a brief space from nomination day to polling day. The week will pass quickly. The great jury of men and women will record their verdict at the ballot box and then, and not till then, shall we know absolutely the momentous decision. And nobody expects a unanimous verdict. Unlike other juries which are usually fully agreed, the great jury of voters always disagrees. But the verdict of the majority is binding and must be accepted, be the dissenting minority large or small. A good cause and a fair-minded jury form the basis of high Conservative hopes just now!

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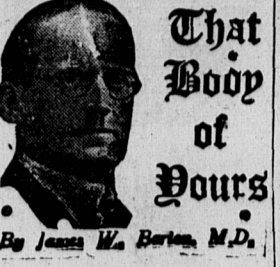
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That Boody of Yours

By James M. Bates, M.D.

PRICKLY HEAT

Perhaps you are wondering why I am bothering about such a simple thing as prickly heat. It is an innocent sort of thing, just a lot of very small elevations or pimples on the skin during the hot weather. You see the excessive heat makes your sweat glands work so hard to get rid of the heat from your body that they get swollen and inflamed. So that every one of those pimples is really the opening into a sweat gland. Now the reason I want to talk about it is that it is not only a most annoying condition in itself with its itching, burning and tingling, but because neglected treatment and careless scratching of these little eruptive points causes many cases of eczema, one of the most obstinate conditions known to physicians. As to the cause. Well, of course the heat is directly responsible, but the wearing of flannel next to the skin, and very hot drinks, are the most frequent causes in people subject to prickly heat.

So if you find yourself with the usual rash, your best plan is to get busy and combat it. How? By avoiding flannels, dressing in light cool clothes. By indulging in cool baths to keep the skin free from decomposed perspiration. In drying the skin after the bath, just pat it dry with a soft towel, do not rub it at all. Then apply ordinary powdered starch to the covering of the entire body, a bath in which you have thrown a couple of handfuls of baking soda will give starch powder as before. In fact our old friend baking soda gives remarkable relief in the burning of the skin. Men in military and construction camps simply plunge their face, head, and arms into tubs filled with "soda" water.

Crowded Hall At Clyde River Meeting

At the Clyde River meeting Wednesday night the hall was crowded to the doors. Every speaker received good hearing, with the exception of Mr. LeFare who was badly heckled. Mr. Chas. McLean, a returned soldier, president of the speakers were Messrs L. E. Jenkins, Hon. G. E. Hughes, J. E. Buntain, B. W. LePage, John Wheatley, Angus McPhee, and Duncan McLean. The Conservative candidates made a splendid impression. Mr. Wheatley followed and ably supported them, taking the government to task for broken promises.

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