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The Liberal Hope now lies in their ability to persuade the Electorate that the Public Accounts are incorrect and that the External Auditors' Reports were misleading! How many intelligent electors will swallow this argument?

GEORGETOWN MEETING SOLID FOR GOVERNMENT

Conservative Candidates Had Things all Their Own Way at one of Largest Meetings Ever Held in Georgetown. Liberal Candidates Furnished all the Amusement.

The greatest demonstration there could possibly be in favour of a government was the meeting at Georgetown on Thursday night, when the Liberal forces were sorely disconcerted. Mr. S. S. Hessian, the Opposition candidate, and Mr. Seymour Knight, the alleged independent, being given the coup de grace in no uncertain manner. Messrs J. D. Stewart, K. C., and Roderick J. McLellan, the Government candidates, were in exceptionally good form, and if further assurance was needed then of their success it was given in superabundance long before the meeting closed. The sympathy of the audience, as was naturally expected, was unanimously with the Conservatives from start to finish, and the reception both Mr. Stewart and Mr. McLellan were accorded was unfeigned and whole-hearted. They handled their subjects in a masterly way, convincing their hearers of the soundness of the Government's proposition, and the record of the Conservative Administration during the past eight years, and particularly during the extremely strenuous period of the war, was entirely endorsed by the meeting, whose admiration and appreciation found expression in frequent outbursts of enthusiastic applause, as point after point was scored in favour of the Government. Mr. Stewart made a brilliant speech, practical and concise, indulging in no verbosity and placing before the meeting indisputable facts in regard to every important issue involved in the present election. He showed to the satisfaction of the audience that the Government had adopted and worthily carried out, in connection with Prohibition, an eminently wise policy, which had redounded to the credit of the Province. He pointed out that the argument had been advanced by the Opposition that the Roads should be taken out of politics and placed under a Commission, and therefore it could not be contended that the action of the Government in freeing the prohibition question from the fetters of party politics was not one for which they deserve commendation. Mr. Stewart dealt ably with all the other important matters before the electorate, drawing a striking contrast between the culpable record of the Liberal Party and the forward step taken by the present Government in connection with education. This point he pointed out was the only one in the Dominion that had made a record of the war without a large debt, a fact which he proved beyond the shadow of a doubt to be attributable to the sound, economic and business-like administration of public affairs during the past four years.

Mr. McLellan, who was given a rousing reception, also did splendidly. His speech, like his colleague's, was practical and to the point, and the slides giving his audience the true condition of things in the province, he refuted several deliberate misrepresentations of Mr. Hessian, whose reputation politically, already a by-word for flippant irresponsibility, was not by any means enhanced as a result of Mr. McLellan's exposures. Mr. Hessian had made the statement that the Commissioner of Public Works was using a car supplied by the Government for the purpose of canvassing the electorate, and this falsehood Mr. McLellan had no difficulty in disposing of. But his opponent was not only content with imputing wrong conduct to the Commissioner of Public Works; he had gone further and made the same charge in relation to the Commissioner of Agriculture. This Mr. Hessian denied, but in the course of his remarks he reiterated the charge in another form, by stating that in the Sheep account there was a discrepancy of some sixteen hundred dollars—"the price of a motor car." Mr. Hessian, however, could not pull the audience with this, and the disgust of the meeting was quite apparent. The piece de resistance of the evening was the resistance of the evening.

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PREMIER ARSENAULT AT VERNON RIVER

Government Candidates and Government Policy Given a Magnificent Hearing. Contradictory Liberal Arguments Scathingly Exposed.

Between 400 and 500 people, including a number of ladies, crowded the hall at Vernon River on Thursday night to hear the candidates and the Premier. Mr. F. J. Nash, the first speaker dealt very mildly with the situation and made a declamatory address. He admitted that the Government had been doing the best they could, advanced some of the usual criticisms, but confessed that the provincial officials were not being paid sufficient salaries. In replying to this point later Premier Arsenault pointed out that the Liberal opposition had voted against the proposed \$100 increase each to the officials receiving \$600 and that the Patriot had given considerable publicity to the matter and approving of the opposition's action. Mr. Nash also professed great sympathy for the teachers and said they were not receiving sufficient remuneration, this in face of the fact that the Patriot is trying to prejudice the people against the proposals submitted for their decision. The Premier said if Mr. Nash was in favour of increased remuneration he had better take the Patriot to task for trying to knock the educational Tax Act in his absence for purely political purposes. In direct opposition to the campaign made by other Liberal speakers, Mr. Nash said he was in favour of the soldiers forming associations in each province with provincial executives working in conjunction with the executives of other provinces, and through these with the Government at Ottawa. Under such circumstances he said it did not matter who was in power, the demands of the soldiers would be granted. This is exactly the attitude taken by the provincial Government which is working in perfect harmony with the soldiers' organizations. Mr. Shaw McMillan was the next speaker and ably dealt with the criticisms of Mr. Nash and with the provincial situation in an admirable manner. He is a powerful speaker and

THE REAL REASON

The Patriot is in error when it says the Conservative argument is that this Province "would be punished by the Union Government if it defeats the Arsenault government on the 24th." The Conservative argument is that Mr. Bell is not capable of successfully presenting the claims of the Province upon the Union Government for obvious reasons, one of which is simply that he is innately incapable and never knew there were such claims until told so by Premier Arsenault; another is that he has persistently and publicly denounced the Union Government since its organization and is shortly going to Ottawa as a delegate to help raise a Liberal faction in opposition to the Union Government. For these reasons alone he is one of the last men whom Prince Edward Island would think of sending to Ottawa to press its claims.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

- **Auto lunches served daily at McMillan's Hotel, Stanhope. Price 35c. 7026-7-15M61.
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- **MT STEWART, ETC.—There will be service in Mt. Stewart and Lot 40 Presbyterian Churches on Sunday 25th at the usual hour.
- **The ladies of North Rustico intend holding a strawberry festival Monday evening, July 21st on the North Rustico school grounds. Coffee and sandwiches served. Not fine, on Tuesday. 7136-7-18M2l.
- **Reserve Monday evening 21st for the ice cream festival at Hunter River Presbyterian church grounds. Proceeds for Mission. If not fine, the night following. 7151-7-18M2l.

ROUSING GOVT. DEMONSTRATION AT MALPEQUE

Liberal Candidates Sadly Mixed in Their Attempted Criticism of Public Accounts.

One of the largest meetings ever held in Malpeque took place last Wednesday night when the large commodious hall could not contain all who wished to be present. Mr. Thomas McNutt presiding, the meeting was a rousing one. The first speaker was Mr. Jeremiah Blanchard who repeated the usual petty criticisms which he has been indulging in throughout the campaign, trying to make it appear that the public accounts did not show the true state of the finances, that they were not properly kept, and also repeated the usual shonors against the Government. But the audience was an unusually intelligent one and did not seem to appreciate his effort. Dr. Kier was the next speaker, and although inexperienced in politics, his address was fair, free from abuse, and one that appealed to the reason of the audience. Throughout the campaign the Dr. had created a very favorable impression. He is a general favorite, and although not personally known to all the electors, he is well-known through his family, being a son of the late Dr. Kier who practised and was known all over the country. The Kier family has many friends in the riding. Mr. A. E. McLean followed Dr. Kier and spoke along very much the same lines as Mr. Blanchard, criticizing what has been done and appealing to the people and the returned soldiers. It is characteristic of these two candidates that their statements have been unfair, and they have given garbled extracts from the public accounts, only giving the half truth when a little explanation was necessary to explain away the criticisms offered. Although Mr. McLean is well-regarded in the district he is not adding to his political reputation by these tactics. No public man may expect to gain support by misrepresentation, and it is felt that Mr. McLean's style of attack is rather poor tactics as such misrepresentations are invariably found out and act rather as a boomerang. The Premier as usual referred shortly to the criticisms offered and showed that the account books of the Province were being kept by Mr. Arthur Newbery, assistant Provincial Secretary, who had been in the employment of the Province for the last forty-five years under many different Governments. His integrity was above suspicion and nothing had ever been brought to light that would reflect upon his reputation. After the accounts are prepared and closed they are examined by Mr. Anderson, Provincial Auditor, who certifies to their correctness, and they are then examined by the External Auditor, the manager of a bank who checks the expenditure, sets out the debts of the Province, the amounts due on debentures, the amount due the bank and also the liabilities and gives a certificate regarding the amount of the debt of the Province. According to this impartial auditor the debt of the Province in 1911 was \$1,072,000, and in 1918 it was practically the same as in 1911. Certain Liberal politicians insist on subtracting the uncollected assets in 1911 but not from 1918. The Premier dealt with other criticisms and afterwards referred to the policy of the Government recalling shortly what had been done since 1911 by the Conservative Party in pressing our claims at Ottawa, including the increased subsidy, the Car Ferry and docks, the standardizing of the railway the progress public works policy, permanent steel bridges, concrete culverts, additional public buildings, including two agricultural buildings and the jail; the mussel mud development of which 60,000 tons had been spread over the lands of the Province, the under-drainage scheme under which large quantities of low land had been reclaimed; the successful establishment of the egg circles, co-operative lamb and wool selling and many other progressive measures. The Premier also dealt at some length on the claims of the Province and ended with an appeal to the reason of the people. His address in this respect was along the lines of that given at Corran Bay. Mr. A. E. McLean was allowed ten minutes to reply but finding the ground cut completely from beneath him, only took half of that time and was quite evidently ill at ease. After a vote of thanks to the chairman the meeting was brought to a close.

U. S. Senators Opposing League of Nations

WASHINGTON, July 18.—President Wilson opened his conferences at the White House today with the republican senators opposing the League of Nations covenant, and Shantung provisions of the treaty peace with Germany. When he talked with senators McCumber or North Dakota, Colt of Rhode Island and Nelson of Minnesota, he conferred with them separately. The talks lasted approximately an hour each.

Ital Request Refused

PARIS, July 18.—The interallied council today refused Italy's request that Austrian concessions at Tientsin, China, be transferred to her.

American Coal Invading Europe

LONDON, July 18.—American coal is invading Europe. Five shiploads of about 150,000 tons have been discharged this month at Rotterdam, being carried along the Rhine in barges. Seventeen American vessels have arrived at Danzig with not only coal but cotton and foodstuffs. It was stated in parliament that American coal was being sold at European ports at \$30 to \$33 a ton.

The Millionaires Leaving Germany

LONDON, July 18.—Rich Germans are trying to escape from their own country to avoid the confiscation of their property, according to a Copenhagen despatch to the Daily Telegraph, reporting news received in Copenhagen from Schelzweig. The news is that more than thirty German millionaires have arrived in the town of Seonderburg on the island of Aalen Schelzweig, where they hope to save their fortunes by transferring their allegiance to Denmark. It is said they have already bought houses and land. Such purchases according to a recent declaration of the Danish Government will not in themselves make the buyers subjects of Denmark.

GOVT. SPEAKERS WELL RECEIVED AT CRAPAUD

The Hall at that Place was Crowded on Thursday Night. Government Speakers Dealt Effectively with the Grumbling Grits.

That the people of the First District of Queens County are taking a lively interest in the present election campaign was again well demonstrated on Thursday night, when the hall at Crapaud was crowded, the audience including quite a number of ladies. Mr. John C. McDonald, of Victoria, was on motion appointed chairman. The speakers of the evening in order were Mr. C. W. Crosby, Liberal Councillor candidate; Mr. A. J. McNevin, Conservative Assemblyman; Mr. John A. Sinclair, M. P.; Hon. Murdoch Kennedy, Conservative Assemblyman candidate; Capt. Allan McLeod, Mr. Donald McKinnon, barrister, of Charlottetown, and Mr. J. J. McLeod. The candidates were each assigned half an hour to speak and the other speakers fifteen minutes each. Mr. Crosby, after a few preliminary remarks concerning his pleasure at meeting the electors again and the ladies and the relief to all that the war has at last ended triumphantly, came to the main subject his candidature, informing the electors that if they did him the honor of electing him he would use what influence he had with the government at Ottawa to further their interests. It doubtless dawned on the speaker after making this remark that his influence at Ottawa would not count for a great deal and he added, apparently as an afterthought, that he expected the Government at Ottawa to be a Liberal one shortly. He expressed regret at the absence of his colleague, Mr. Cousins, who he said, was a very sick man, and although unable to be in town for nomination, Mr. Crosby occupied considerable time in trying to explain the defeat of Mr. Cousins and himself at the last election and before he realized it he had used up most of his half hour, and in which was left him only a few minutes to speak. Mr. Crosby had found fault with the roadmaster system, and it looked as if he would have had a long talk with the roadmaster system.

German Labor Must Rebuild France

(Special to The Guardian.)
BERLIN, July 18.—Allied representatives have told the German delegation at Versailles. It is reported here in government circles that Germany must be prepared to introduce measures for compulsory work if necessary. This, it was said, was intended as a means of bringing about prompt execution of the reparation work in Northern France, utilizing troops and a half million civilian laborers. Officers here said the allied conferences on this subject were conducted in a friendly spirit. The officials agreed that Germany has a problem in her labor troubles.

Bela Kun Ousted

(Special to The Guardian.)
PARIS, July 18.—Bela Kun, head of the Hungarian Communist Government has been ousted according to despatches from reliable sources in Vienna, received by the peace conference. Troops returning from the Czech front report that Herr Boehm and Herr Lander have taken over control of the Communist Government.

Campaign Medal For All Soldiers

(Special to The Guardian.)
LONDON, July 18.—A general campaign medal has been approved by the King and will be issued in silver to all troops, British, Dominion, Colonial and Indian, and women's units who served in the war. The ribbon attached to the medal has a watered orange centre, white and black stripes each side, and a border of royal blue.

Income Tax on Pensions

(Special to The Guardian.)
LONDON, July 18.—Replying to a motion by Hon. A. Shaw, member for Kilmarnock, which proposed the abolition of income tax on pensions from the sales of dominions produced in the United Kingdom, Chancellor Chamberlain declared the result of the motion would be to give preference to the manufacturers of the dominions as compared with the home producers. The motion was rejected by a vote of 76 to 19.

Fiendish Murders By the Bolshevists

(Special to The Guardian.)
HELSINKI, July 18.—A refugee direct from Petrograd declares that several British subjects were shot at the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul, the great island prison of Petrograd at Kronstadt after the fighting at Yrsmaya and Gerka, opposite Kronstadt. They were forced to dig their own graves and were shot asked. The informant declares that women took part in the executions. The British Embassy has been wrecked. The Bolshevists are concentrating reserves on the front 30 miles southwest of Petrograd where they have suffered heavy losses in fighting with the North Russian and Finnish volunteers. They offer \$250.00 for anyone who will assassinate General Mannerheim, the Finnish Regent with the object of paralyzing Finnish fresh resistance.

Catching at Straw

The Patriot has let the cat out of the bag. The Liberals forlorn hope is to hold the two old Liberal strongholds—the Richards District in Prince and West River in Queens. It quotes the Summerside Journal to support its hope of holding the Prince (2nd) District and the New Glasgow meeting as an indication of "another Liberal triumph" in West River. The tacit admission that these two old time Liberal Districts are all they have a chance of winning puts them by their own estimate down to a paltry four seats in the next house. But even these districts are uncertain. Intelligent electors of West River and Prince County want a Government with a leader and a policy.

THE WEATHER. TEMPERATURE.

TORONTO, July 19.—Clearing. Tide will be high this afternoon at 3.01, tomorrow at 4.07 and Monday at 5.22. It will be high tomorrow morning at 3.24, Monday at 4.08 and Tuesday at 5.02. Sun sets this evening at 7.54, tomorrow at 7.53 and Tuesday at 7.52; it rises tomorrow morning at 4.53, Monday at 4.55 and Tuesday at 4.55. Full moon Sunday, July 13th 1.02 a.m.

Horse Races, North Tryon Wednesday, July 23rd.