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THE ELECTION

The people have spoken once again, but just what they have said is neither very definite nor reassuring. While the returns are incomplete it is evident that neither the Conservatives nor the Liberals can, in their own numerical strength form a government...

The Hon. John A. Macdonald has the distinction of being the sole Conservative representative from Prince Edward Island. We heartily congratulate him and the County which has honored him.

The defeat of Hon. J. H. Myers and Mr. J. A. Messervy in Queens and of Mr. J. E. Wyatt in Prince, is also regrettable, but the old and oft repeated adage about elections and horse races remains eternally true.

EXHIBITION NEXT

Now that the election is over we look forward with pleasure to the next big event, the Provincial Exhibition. The annual exhibition is the occasion in which the province spreads its wares out for public inspection. The farmer shows the best he can do in the production of crops and stock.

The provincial exhibition is a very important event, an event in which every person in the province should be interested and should participate in. For this province the special interest in our exhibitions is for the farmers. Farming is our main, practically our only occupation, for we all live off the products of the farm.

Since exhibitions were first held in this province the whole system and science of farming has completely changed. Machinery, cultivation, crop-rotation, harvesting and marketing have all changed. Farming today is modern and scientific; fifty years ago it was primitive although, owing to the virgin fertility of the soil and the few wants of the people, perhaps as profitable as it is today.

Another purpose is the holiday feature. It is the annual holiday which all feel they are entitled to at the end of the season and which they can enjoy together. This year's exhibition promises to be one of the best yet held. A splendid series of horse races has been arranged for, amusements of all kinds are being provided and the agricultural products and live stock will undoubtedly be of a very high quality.

Let everyone prepare for the exhibition and be ready to enjoy it. MERCIFUL UNCERTAINTY. "Heaven from all creatures hides the book of fate. All but the page prescribed, the present state."

ahead with its victories and defeats its gains and losses, its joys and sorrows, and the inevitable precipice just around a near or a distant turning! Yesterday morning Liberals and Conservatives were jubilantly flitting from booth to booth getting in a vote wherever they could and as many as the law would permit. Each side was confident of victory, each worked for victory and some did more than work. Had they known in advance what the result was going to be all the fun would have been spoiled; there would have been no joint meetings, no roorbacks, no falsehoods, no predictions. But they did not know and so they toiled day and night, in fine weather and foul—till the returns came filtering through and the jig was up.

It is the uncertainties that give zest to life as well as to political campaigns. In neither is the road straight. There is blissful uncertainty as to what we may meet around the next turning. It may be a friend to love or an enemy to fight; it may be a gold mine or a yawning chasm. The great thing is that we do not know and that is why we keep on keeping on.

And now with the election over and the ballots counted we still have a blissful uncertainty as to who shall form the next government. The Rt. Hon. Mackenzie King during the last parliament, headed the smallest group and formed a government. As matters now stand the Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen leads the largest group, but without a clear majority in the House so far as present results indicate.

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

All the world did not stand still to watch Canada struggling through its election campaign. While the latter was in progress the great nations of the world were discussing the League of Nations and arranging for its effectiveness. After many months of disagreement Germany was admitted to membership. The five greatest nations in the world, apart from the United States are now leagued together, pledged to permanent peace and co-operation, pledged to maintain, as far as their united powers can do so, the peace of the world.

This is the greatest movement, the longest step towards permanent peace in the history of the world. It is regrettable, also inexplicable, that the United States has held aloof from this world power. Possibly she may see her way to do so yet. The members of the League of Nations are Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan and Germany.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The school children and college students were glad of the half holiday yesterday, a concession they owed to the election. As anticipated the polling yesterday was void of excitement, nevertheless there were stirring times bringing in stragglers, especially during the afternoon.

Although betting in elections is illegal, a good deal of money was lost and won yesterday both on the provincial and dominion results.

The Guardian had the most perfect election service possible yesterday; indeed it had a double service. The Canadian Press, of which The Guardian is a member, installed a service in the Guardian office and sent a C. P. R. telegraph operator to handle it. The Western Union Telegraph Company, which gives the usual telegraphic service for The Guardian, also supplied complete election returns. This enabled The Guardian to have a complete check on the returns from early evening to this morning.

Notes by the Way

The morning sun shines from the East and his westward journey from Sydney to Vancouver covers four hours. Between those extreme points millions of Canadian electors yesterday exercised their voting franchise. The one big issue on which they divided was whether the newly formed Conservative Government should be sustained or the defeated King Government restored to power.

The polls being opened and closed four hours earlier in the Far East than in the Far West gives the Westerners the advantage of learning by wire how the Easterners have voted, while beyond the Rockies they wait to see how the battle is going. Light, and sometimes also wisdom come from the East. It is to our advantage or otherwise that we must be the first to make our decision and, so to speak, place all our cards upon the table?

In the Sunset Land they ask, "What said the Maritimes" while yet their own polls are open for hours. Here in Prince Edward Island we must needs wait till the small hours of the morning before we can learn how the Columbians and the Albertans have voted. They can still vote out there till our Eastern clocks have struck nine or later than that.

We had estimates, of course, Tory and Liberal, one lot telling that Meighen would have a majority over all, perhaps a total of 130 members, and another lot telling that "Meighen couldn't win," and Liberal roorbacks telling unconvincing lies. It was a terrible campaign for false statements from platforms and press and if in rare cases there was some flexibility of statement or economy of truth on the ministerial side, it was mild and modest compared with the "whoppers" which adorned the Opposition campaign in all the nine Provinces.

But let it pass! Canadians are in the main truth-tellers, and we recognize the fact that the Opposition cause, based on the record of the King Government could not be defended by truthfulness and sound reasons. It is also to be noted that many of the untruths so plentifully spread abroad to bolster up the Opposition cause were promptly nailed and disproved and damaged the cause they were intended to support.

There were major and minor issues which were variously stressed in different provinces. Protection, the necessity for a strong and established government and a settled fiscal and economic policy, were major features in the English-speaking electoral divisions. The Customs Scandal came under review in all the provinces, while the constitutional question raised by the Opposition seems to have had little weight.

In this Eastern section of the Dominion Maritime Rights and Claims were stressed and were vindicated by the popular vote. Quebec and Saskatchewan, as was expected still hold their places as strongholds of a decaying Liberalism, but not so nearly unanimous as they proved to be in October last.

Daily Selections FOR Guardian Readers

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ALL SHARE ALIKE—"As his part is that goeth down to the battle, so shall his part be that tarrieth by the stuff." I Sam. 30:24. PRAYER—O Lord, teach us good judgment, and knowledge.

DON'T GRUMBLE

Don't grumble when the weather's bad. For it might well be worse, And the blessing which you so much miss. Might be another's curse; So, when it's raining cats and dogs, Or any other beast, Don't grumble, for the frogs and ducks Enjoy themselves, at least! Don't grumble when your trade is slack. For tides both ebb and flow, And life is mostly mixed, at best. Made up of weal and woe; You only need to look around To find another chap Whose mark is far behind your own In Life's great handicap. Don't grumble at your own fireside. Because your dinner's late, For, when you're at a restaurant, You sometimes have to wait; Your little wife is not your slave, To skip at your command And in the orchestra of home You're not the blinking band!



By James W. Barton, M.D.

DON'T LIVE BY THE CLOCK

A number of years ago I met a chap who was a good athlete, had a good mind, and was the right type morally. He was what would be called a "good all round fellow."

However he was living his life by the clock, and by rule. He got up at a certain hour, ate only selected foods, chewed each bite a certain number of times, took just certain exercises, engaged in certain athletic events, but everywhere, always, he worked by the clock.

The suggestion that he take a walk a few minutes after eating was rejected, as he had to give his digestion forty-five minutes after eating in which to get well under way.

Now it is only natural for man to want to enjoy life, to be free from illness and pain, to be looking ahead so that no illness should unexpectedly befall him.

Any little disturbance like a "gas" pain in the stomach or intestine, can easily be an ulcer or a cancer, to his mind. A little palpitation of the heart due to the same gas, can assume the seriousness of real heart disease. His blood pressure, if the least bit high or low, can be a matter of great importance to him.

DAILY LESSONS IN ENGLISH

By W. L. Gordon

WORDS OFTEN MISUSED: Don't say "we use to go every day." Say "used to."

OFTEN MISPRONOUNCED: de-falcation. Pronounce def-ak-shun, as in "fat," first a as in "at," second a as in "day" accent third syllable.

OFTEN MISSPELLED: chief; not ei.

SYNONYMS: ordinary, common, customary, usual, regular, normal. STUDY: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Today's word: CONDONE; to pardon. "Such an attitude is not easily condoned."

PRESBYTERIANS TO ERECT NEW CHURCH

PUGWASH, Sept. 14.—Ground was broken on Monday, September 6th by Dr. D. Mackintosh for the foundation of a new church for the congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. The church will be erected on a lot on Church Street, facing Prince Albert. The lot has a street frontage of 145 feet and extends back 123 feet.

The building will be 25 by 63 feet with a vestry 16 by 24 and will be of the same architectural design as the Presbyterian Church recently erected at Tatamagouche. Contractor McKean, of Sillwatu, who gave such eminent satisfaction at Tatamagouche, has the contract for St. John's. The excavating for the cellar and the work on the concrete foundation the material for which is now on the grounds, is being done gratis by the men of the congregation. It is expected that the church will be dedicated early in December.

Nor every peccadillo class As though it were a crime, For, weighed in your strict balances, And measured by your rule, The gods who weigh and measure men Might send you back to school! A device operated by light has been invented to open garage doors when automobile headlights are turned on it.

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British Coal Strike Enters 20th Week

LONDON, Sept. 13.—The coal strike is now in its twentieth week and no end in sight. It appears inevitable that the government at the end will be compelled to impose some settlement. The earnest appeal of Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to the mine owners that they reconsider their attitude has had no effect. Local associations of mine owners have nearly all reported stubbornly against a national agreement and hence the mining association can make no compromise.

MOVEMENT IS BOUND TO FALL

(Canadian Press) TORONTO, Sept. 7.—Speaking on behalf of the province of Nova Scotia at the luncheon tendered today by the directors of the Canadian National Exhibition, 10 visitors from outside Ontario and Canada, Sir Robert Borden, former Premier of Canada, declared that a succession movement in Nova Scotia was "bound to fail." He said that any movement of the kind was likely to be attended by the same success that attended the efforts of Dame Parkington in days gone by when she went out with a broom and pail to mop up the advancing tides of the Atlantic. Sir Robert stated that Canada had reaped great material prosperity, but that it was her duty to promote the advancement of humanity, the ideals of democracy and the effort to secure the world's peace.

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