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PROCEEDINGS IN THE PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE

Concluding Speeches on Address in Reply to Speech from the Throne.

April 10th
House met 11 o'clock and shortly afterwards adjourned to allow the members to attend the opening of the exhibition of War Pictures.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

House opened at 3.30. Mr. James Paton resumed the address he had begun on the previous night.

If there was any spot in God's earth, he said, in which the people had a right to thank Providence during the past four years, that spot was Prince Edward Island. We had not suffered any of the privations suffered by other countries; we had always full and plenty. He had recently visited the Old Country and experienced the privations endured there. Each individual in a home there was allowed half an ounce of butter a week, a quarter pound of sugar a week; no meat except by coupon could be had in restaurants or hotels.

He fully endorsed all that the previous speakers had said with reference to the glorious record made by the soldiers and sailors of Canada. Through these men Canada had made a name for itself that will last as long as its great Rockies remain and it will not be blotted from the memory of men. Many of them had won distinction and decorations from the Military Medal to the Victoria Cross and these emblems of heroism will be treasured up by the sons and daughters of Canada. Among those who were thus distinguished themselves were the sons of English, Irish, French, Scotch and Indians, all now blended together in a common nationality, Canadian. Of such true men it has been well said, "Their name shall remain forever, their glory shall not be blotted out."

He paid a glowing tribute to the Canadian nurses, daughters of this Province included, and suggested that when a memorial is erected to the memory of our soldiers one should be erected in honour of what they had done and suffered for the cause of liberty.

He referred to the transportation question. In reply to some criticisms from the Opposition with reference to freight and passenger rates on our railways for which they blamed the government, he showed from figures taken from the railways in England and Scotland that the rates there had increased much more than here. Previous to the war a return ticket from London to Glasgow was about \$25. Now it is \$40.25, about fifteen dollars of an increase. But why blame the government for our increase here. The government has nothing to do with it as the railways are all in the hands of a commission.

He was pleased that our farmers were beginning to realize the benefits of co-operation and reaping the benefit, and had at last decided to grade their products. He instanced the great benefit resulting from the proper grading of eggs and hoped that the same system would be followed in other products. He had met a gentleman in Liverpool some years ago who told him frankly that a bushel of oats would be shipped from this province to England. He said, "I have a cargo of oats lying at the Canada Docks from your province and your people might as well have sent me a cargo of manure. The sooner your farmers learn to grade the different qualities and your produce buyers refuse to mix good and bad together, the better it will be for the province."

He complimented the province on the generous amounts subscribed for the different patriotic funds. Those who subscribed so freely had the satisfaction of knowing the money had been well spent. He had visited a Canadian Red Cross Hospital in London and found everything comfortable and homelike for the soldiers, and every attention paid them by the faithful nurses. He also referred to the good work being done by the Y. M. C. A. He had visited their huts in London and found them to be splendid quarters for the soldiers, furnishing not only comforts but free trips and other amusements. Although not referred to in His Honour's speech he would bring to the attention of the House the

scheme introduced by the Federal Government which had set aside \$25,000,000 to enable provinces to provide better houses for the working classes. According to the scheme proposed this province was entitled to \$300,000, on the terms laid down by the government.

He had made a visit last week with Miss DeBlois, District Nurse, and was amazed at the number of houses he saw that were unfit for human beings to live in. He felt quite sure that Mr. Lea had better accommodation for his cattle than some of those people had. As co-operation was the slogan today he suggested that the government appoint a committee to meet with the Mayor and Council with a view to taking advantage of the offer made by the Federal Government, not only with the view of providing homes but of providing employment for returned soldiers as there were among them carpenters, plumbers, electricians, etc.

MR. DAVID McDONALD was the next speaker. In his opening remarks he objected to calling this House together at a time when the farmers should be busy at home. He expressed surprise at some of the statements made by government members who claimed that the finances of the province were in a better position than under the previous government. The present government had to its credit the biggest deficit in the history of the province. Last year would go down in history as "Starvation year," there had been no grants for exhibition, the teachers' salaries had been so reduced as to threaten a strike. During the war a cry had gone forth for more production and the farmers nobly responded, but the government had failed to provide the necessary transportation. As a result the crops remained unsold, the potatoes rotted in the cellars. Last year no steamed were provided on the rivers, no facilities for transportation had been provided. The Premier had promised if the Harland was sold, he would provide another steamer. The steamer he provided was one compared with which Noah's Ark would be considered modern. The feed imported by the government was full of weed seeds and poison, and altogether the picture painted by the speaker of conditions prevailing in the province during the present regime and for which he held the present regime directly responsible, was such as to awaken the pity and the sympathy of the House.

He concluded with concurrence in all the good things said about the soldiers.

DR. A. McDONALD, Souris followed. From the progress of the discussion on the address, so far, he said, it was quite evident that the members of the Opposition were more concerned with the coming election than with the proper business of the session. His friends of the Opposition had freely predicted that they were going to win out at the next election. On what grounds this prediction was founded he could not say, but it certainly could not have been on their record in the partial elections held since the last general election. They had lost every seat they had contended for and he knew of nothing that had transpired since to give them any better hope for the immediate future. He fully concurred in all that had been said of the valour of our troops and the troops of our allies; of what had been said of the splendid conduct of our own Canadians and our own Prince Edward Islanders. The English language has no word comprehending enough to express what we owe to the men who had contributed to the splendid victory the fruits of which we and future generations shall enjoy. We could never do enough for the returned soldiers and he felt sure that this House and the people of this province would support any movement calculated to help them and to restate them in civilian life.

We had heard much about subsidies due the province, of lands worth millions in Ontario, Quebec and the West, from which the Leader of the Opposition was going to get sufficient to pay off our national debt and such other benefits as his fertile imagination might conjure up. If we wait

INTEREST INCREASING DAILY IN GUARDIAN'S CIRCULATING CAMPAIGN

Many New Contestants Enter the Race for Valuable Trophies. Two Automobiles and a Player Piano are the Grand Prizes. These Prizes are Yours for the Effort.

Since the first announcement of the early candidates in "The Guardian" \$5185.00 circulation campaign the interest has increased as one will note by glancing over the list as published Thursday. This interest is growing with each announcement, and more candidates are being put forth by admiring friends.

It is an honor for a man or woman to be selected by his or her friends and relatives as one of the contestants in "The Guardian" campaign. It is a pleasure to "The Guardian" patrons to be placed in a position to favor their friends and acquaintances by voting for them.

The list is still open, and it is desired that every one who may wish to enter the campaign, make the necessary nomination at once as it is an advantage to get an early start. Nomination may be made in person or by mail. You may nominate yourself or a friend, using for your convenience and that purpose the nomination blank published in this paper. It costs absolutely nothing to nominate, enter or vote in this campaign. The votes of the patrons of "The Guardian" by which the \$5185.00 prize list will be awarded as absolutely free. That is one of the features that insure the success of the campaign.

MAGNIFICENT GIFT TO TORONTO UNIVERSITY

Sir John Eaton Gives \$25,000 a Year for 20 Years to Develop Medical Faculty.

(Special to The Guardian.)
TORONTO, April 11.—Sir John Eaton has made a gift of \$25,000 a year for twenty years to the faculty of medicine at the university of Toronto on condition that it be in addition to what is already being spent at the present time. It is to provide for the appointment of a professor who will give all his time to the organization work of this department and also to the development of clinical medicine.

The immediate result is the appointment of Lieut. Col. Duncan Graham, now overseas as professor of medicine. He is a graduate of the medical college and before going to Salonica with the university base hospital was lecturer in bacteriology. He will resume his duties in the fall.

Exchange of Prisoners with Bolsheviks

(Special to The Guardian.)
ARCHANGLE, April 11.—The commission which is to confer with the Bolsheviks regarding the exchange of prisoners will include British, American and French officers. The conference is expected to be held today. Up to date there are 43 American soldiers listed as missing. No officers are on the list. It is considered that perhaps the missing men are possibly prisoners.

entative class of men in their various districts. Voting is not restricted in any sense whatever. Anyone may vote as often as he pleases and for whom he pleases, no matter from what county or district the candidate may be entered. Votes are not purchased at so much each, but for every cent received by "The Guardian" a cent's worth of value is dealt out in news of the world.

THE PRIZES AND HOW THEY WILL BE GIVEN

The grand prizes will be \$1410.00 Overland touring car, \$820.00 Ford touring car, and \$800 Karm Morria Duchess Player Piano. These prizes will be given to candidates who secure the highest number of votes irrespective of districts. In addition to these there will be a first district prize consisting of the \$475.00 Willis Piano, supplied by A. E. Toombs, three of these pianos will be given away, one in each district to the highest vote getter after the grand prize winners have been decided. There will also be a second prize in each district consisting of \$150.00 Gratanola supplied by A. E. Toombs. These three Gratanolas will be awarded to the second highest vote getter in each district. Third and fourth prizes Diamond Rings and Gold Wrist Watches, supplied by G. H. Taylor. Those not winning any of these prizes will be given a cash commission of ten per cent on amount of money turned in by them in subscriptions provided they remain active until end of campaign.

Trans-Atlantic Flight Now Underway

(Special to The Guardian.)
MONTREAL, April 11.—Advices of private aerial heads from St. John's, Newfoundland indicated that air conditions would permit Lieut Harry Hawker to start his flight across the Atlantic some time today. He will use the Sopwith airplane with which he made such a successful trail flight yesterday with full equipment.

Political Unrest In Newfoundland

ST. JOHNS, Nfld. April 11.—The Evening Herald building was broken into last night and press parts removed, putting the paper out of business temporarily, as a result of the political feeling. It is rumored the government may abandon the intention of holding an election in May owing to the agitation now on foot.

SOLDIERS RETURN

Another Contingent Welcomed Last Evening.

Another contingent of Island overseas men arrived in Charlottetown last evening. They were met at the station by Colonel J.S. Jenkins, Rev. Major Fullerton, Lieut. P.A. Palmer and Mr. W.F. Tidmarsh. The men were conveyed to Prince of Wales College in motor vehicles, where a welcoming reception was held.

Short and to the point addresses of welcome were given by the Premier on behalf of the province, Rev. Dr. Fullerton for the Mayor and citizens and Lieut. Philip Palmer for the Great War Veterans Association.

The boys who were a fine able-bodied lot were assigned to seats at small tables, where, upon the conclusion of the addresses they partook of coffee and other refreshments nicely served as usual by the Ladies of the Auxiliary of the G.W.V.A.

The soldiers who came last night arrived in Canada by the Saturnia which docked in St. John and the Lapland which docked in Halifax.

Most of their names have already been published. They comprised the following:

- Captain Harry Jenkins, City.
- Sergeant Nicholson, M.M., Pinette.
- Sergeant T.A. Moore, West St. Peter.
- Acting Sgt. V. Beer, Charlottetown.
- Sapper Bernard McKenna, M.S.M., Tracadie Cross.
- Corporal D. McKay, Hopefield.
- Cpl. P.D. Crosby, Summerside.
- Pte. R.A. Shepherd, City.
- Pte. C.B. Buell, Abney, Lot 64.
- Pte. E.E. Gaudet, Summerside.
- Pte. L.P. McLaughy, Bonshaw.
- Pte. C.T. Moore, West St. Peter.
- Lance-Cpl. D. McKay, Hopefield.
- Sapper G. McKinnon, Richmond.
- Pte. L. McNulty, Gasparaux.
- Pte. G.H. Turner, Bridgetown.
- Sapper A.B. Martin, Summerside.
- Pte. Peter McKenzie, St. Peter's Bay.
- Pte. N. McKenzie, Mt. Vernon.
- Pte. A. McMillan, Cherry Valley.
- Pte. A. Pineau, North Rustico.
- Pte. D.B. McLean, Grand View.
- Pte. A. Hamm, Humberby.
- Capt. Harry Jenkins who arrived last night is the second son of Colonel the Hon. S.R. Jenkins M.D. It will be remembered that he left here as a Lieut. with the original 105th and soon after reaching England, he was promoted to Capt. and was second in command of one of the companies. He went to the 104th Battalion when the 105th was broken up and crossed to France as Lieutenant in February of last year going to one of the Pioneer Battalions. Subsequently his unit was absorbed by the Engineers and Capt. Jenkins again received promotion to the three star rank. He represented Canada in a series of international rugby football games played recently in England. His numerous friends in Charlottetown will be delighted to see him once more.

Edith Cavell's Body Coming to England

(Special to The Guardian.)
LONDON, April 11.—Arrangements are being made, it is understood, for the removal of the body of Edith Cavell the English nurse executed by the Germans at Brussels in 1915 to this country. The reinterment of the body in English soil will be made the occasion of an extensive public ceremonial.

Settlement of Saar Valley

(Special to The Guardian.)
PARIS, April 11.—Provision that the League of Nations shall exercise general supervision of the Saar Valley for a period of fifteen years was contained in the settlement of the Saar problem effected Wednesday by the Council of Four. This important change in the plan for the political administration of the region became known today.

Seven Largest Banks Close in Berlin

BERLIN, April 11.—The seven largest banks in Berlin were closed today as a result of the spread of the strike of bank employees and intimidation by the strikers.

Holy War is Feared in Egypt

(Special to The Guardian.)
LONDON, April 11.—Reuters learns that some apprehension is felt that the trouble in Egypt, which was fomented at the beginning entirely by nationalist sentiment, may take a religious turn and that the native tribes may declare a holy war against the British Empire.

Condensed Specials

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QUEBEC VOTES ON LIQUOR QUESTION

Over 100,000 Majority for Beer and Wine. All Country Parishes Go Heavily Wet.

(Special to The Guardian.)
MONTREAL, April 11.—At 2.30 o'clock this Friday morning all estimates computed on returns so far received indicate that the province as a whole polled over 100,000 majority for beer and wine. The countries and rural parishes reported with the exception of Lennoxville, Huntington and

Richmond all go heavily wet. In eleven parishes reported the dries did not score one vote while in others they secured only one vote. At least fifty percent of the votes went to the pools out of the 400,000 registered and though all the results have not come in yet the outcome of the voting is not in doubt.

FIELD MARSHAL HAIG'S GENEROUS TRIBUTE

To the Men Who Rose from the Ranks During the War. List Includes Two Canadians.

(Special to The Guardian.)
LONDON, April 11.—Field Marshal Haig in his final despatch as Commander in Chief of the forces in France, cites a number of instances of men who from civil or comparatively humble occupations had risen during the war to important commands. The Field Marshal concludes: "I want to make a very warm and sincere acknowledgement of the great debt I owe to all ranks in the armies of France and to our kinsmen and kinswomen of the British Empire for prayer and work throughout the long years of the war. Their trust and confidence never wavered and their labors never ceased. No sacrifices, hardships or privations were too great provided that the needs of the troops might be adequately supplied. Two editors, both Canadians, rose to important commands in the Imperial Army in France. They are Major General Sir David Watson, Quebec, commanding the Fourth Canadian Division and Major General E. W. Morrison, Ottawa, commanding the Canadian Artillery. Both started in the war as colonels in the Canadian Militia.

Lyons Fair Goes to Paris

(Special to The Guardian.)
PARIS, April 11.—The great success which has attended the Canadian exhibits at the Lyons fair has determined the government to remove the entire display to Paris where arrangements are now complete for taking over for a short time premises on Champ Elysees.

Difficult Question Czechs and Poland

(Special to The Guardian.)
PARIS, April 11.—The coalfields of the Teschen district in dispute between Czechoslovakia and Poland present one of the most difficult problems before the Peace Conference. Both nationalities claim that the district is essential to their development.

THE WEATHER. TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

TORONTO, April 12.—Cool and showery.
Tide will be high this morning at 8.53, tomorrow at 9.31 and Monday at 10.04; it will be high tonight at 9.04, tomorrow at 9.53 and Monday at 10.35. First quarter of the moon Monday, April 7th.
Full moon Tuesday, April 15th.