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## THE SPECIAL SESSION

Our legislators are in harness for the special session which opened yesterday. The duties before them are neither many nor onerous, and had the opposition been more amenable to reason the business would have been all through last night.

The speech from the throne briefly outlines the purpose for which the house has been summoned. (1) "You will be asked to make suitable provision for the special needs of the augmented number of our volunteers—their widows, orphans and dependents, to protect them against want and suffering." (2) "You will be asked to provide such extra revenue" as may be necessary to secure for "returned tuberculous soldiers as well as civilians similarly afflicted within this province" such treatment in the Dalton Sanatorium, specially approved for that purpose, "as advanced scientific care and skill can supply." It is explained that "the decline in revenue arising from the war, together with the extraordinary expenditures occasioned thereby makes it necessary that special means be adopted to make provision for these two special objects."

Care of the dependents of those who have gone to fight our country's battles is a sacred duty and a sacred obligation. This care has been thrust upon us through no act of our own or of the Empire. The fight is for our homes and our institutions. We could do no other than take our part in it. Our men have gone out to fight, if necessary to die, that our homes shall be inviolate, and that the heritage handed down to us as a sacred trust shall be preserved for our children and their children's children. The dependents of these men are with us; we are asked to see that they shall not want. There can be no dispute as to what course we should take; the path of duty lies straight before us. It is the country's obligation and the country will, we feel assured, stand behind the government in making the necessary provision.

Our obligation with reference to those who through exposure and hardship on the battlefield have contracted tuberculosis, as well as to the unfortunate of our civilian population who have become similarly afflicted is equally clear. Incipient cases of tuberculosis, if proper scientific skill and treatment are applied in time, are curable; when these are not applied death is inevitable. The Dalton Sanatorium, fully equipped with all that the latest discoveries of science and the generosity of its donor can supply, has been placed freely at the disposal of the province for the care and restoration to health of the unfortunates. We who are blessed with health and strength, are asked to contribute a moiety of our means to save the lives of those who, without such assistance, are doomed to prolonged suffering and death. Here also the path of duty lies straight before us. And here also, we feel assured, the people of this Christian and generous province will stand behind the government in making such provision as they may deem necessary for this sacred duty.

The proposals of the government for these two special objects provides that "during the continuance of this Act" which "shall continue in force from the

date of the passing thereof to the end of the next session of the Legislature of this province and no longer" are that "there shall be levied and collected annually upon each subject matter of taxation, a special rate or tax, in addition to the taxes now collected, equal to one third of the present tax and such amount shall be known as the Provincial War and Health Tax." The usual provision is made for the collection of the tax and the amount so raised shall be devoted exclusively to the two purposes specified.

These proposals are necessary, desirable and commendable, and are practically the only sacrifice we as a province are called upon to make in connection with the war. And how does the Opposition, as represented by Mr. Bell, the leader, receive the Government's policy? He admits that it is necessary and desirable that we should meet the war's demands, but says that our posterity should bear the burden. In other words we should contribute the money necessary for war purposes, but should borrow it and leave it to our descendants to redeem the loan. Mr. Bell's idea of helping on the war is to make a vicarious sacrifice,—to depute those who come after us, our children and grand children, to shoulder the burdens which he admits it is our patriotic duty to incur.

The Mr. Bell of today is the Mr. Bell who in a previous legislature followed the same financial policy with the result that we are now paying in interest a sum equivalent to the whole of the present land tax. It is the policy of the shirker who will neither fight nor pay. It is the policy that makes money lenders rich and the successors of borrowers poor indeed.

We are mistaken if Mr. Bell represents the consensus of considered opinion of the Opposition. His is merely a political make-shift amendment to accept the principle which patriotism dictates while pandering to the views of the sordid few who would escape if they could contributing their moiety to the Empire in its time of need.

## THE DEUTCHSLAND

The German submarine Deutschland left Baltimore as reported in our despatches yesterday. Whether she shall get safely across the Atlantic and reach a German port is a matter of considerable speculation and, at least, before her departure was a matter of considerable trepidation on the part of her crew. It is known that several British warships are waiting for her outside the three-mile limit and although the ocean is both wide and deep there are many dangers ahead of her before she can berth safely in a friendly harbor. Of her sister ship, the Bremen, not a word has been heard, at least outside of German circles, since she left Germany. Whether she has been captured or not is, of course, a matter of guess. The British report no captures of submarines until long after the capture has been effected and then only to tell the number taken in a certain period. The capture of the first of these large German submarines which were to carry on a trans-Atlantic trade, threw considerable cold water on the hopes and the boastings of those who were going to show England "how easily her paper blockade could be broken." The mystery attending the cruise of the Bremen and the fears entertained as to the safety of the Deutschland do not argue well for the great submarine trade that, according to Germans' boast was about to be inaugurated. There are too many dangers and uncertainties surrounding the under-water course, even in peace times to make it a success, and the dangers are many times multiplied during war times. The "paper blockade" declared by Great Britain aided as it is by British warships is, and is going to be effective. There need be no doubt about that. The Deutschland may get back to Germany; it is extremely doubtful that she shall return again to the United States.

## HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

Professor McLarty who succeeds Professor McCready on the teaching staff of the Prince of Wales College, and Mrs. McLarty are this week being welcomed to the citizenship of Charlottetown. Pending the selection of a home in the City they are guests at The Russ.

The officers and men of the 5th Siege Battery this week delighted one of the largest audiences ever seen in the Prince Edward Theatre, in an entertainment that was as unique as it was enjoyable. The Battery possesses musical and histrionic talent of a very high order and the hope is generally expressed that they will again entertain their friends before leaving the City.

Mrs. Cosh will be greatly missed in social circles in Charlottetown during her visit in England, whither she left this week to join her husband Lieut. Cosh of the 105th Battalion. Her many friends unite in best wishes for a bon voyage and a pleasant sojourn in England.

The presence in the City this week of some 230 teachers from the rural districts and a number of visitors from abroad, in connection with the Summer School, has added a vivacious touch of life to the City. It is expected that before their departure a number of outings will be arranged for besides some private social functions which are now on the tapis.

One of the most pleasant outings of the summer was enjoyed by the Women's Missionary Society of the First Methodist Church who converted their regular August meeting into a picnic for which the hospitable home of Mrs. F. D. Berkley, Westwood, was kindly placed at their disposal. As usual the automobile owners kindly lent their services and conveyed the ladies to their destination. Mrs. G. H. Taylor, the energetic President of the Society, presided. The proceedings were appropriately opened with the National Anthem. This was

followed by the roll call after which the Hon. Mr. Pierce, United States' Consul, gave a most interesting talk on Woman Suffrage. Little Miss Lorne Berkley delighted the audience with a number of excellently rendered selections on the guitar which gave much pleasure. The ladies are loud in their praise of Mrs. Berkley's hospitality and the kindness extended to them during their very pleasant visit.

Mrs. Martha Joel of Granite Falls, Minn., announces the marriage of her daughter, Convor E., to Mr. Heber E. Sellar, formerly of Charlottetown. Mr. Sellar is a brother of Mrs. (Major) W. B. Prowse and enlisted in Winnipeg for overseas service.

This had been a busy week socially, out of door parties have been the rule, and many private picnics have taken place to the various points of interest.

Brackley Beach has become a favorite rendezvous this summer, due to the fact that it may now be reached by auto. On automobile days dinner parties at the Beach have been popular, and even on other days many people have driven from town to join the summer visitors there.

Yesterday the great event was the opening of the Legislature, and in spite of the warmth of the weather, quite a bevy of ladies graced the opening ceremony. The Governor was attended by his two A. D. C.'s, Lieut. Col. Jenkins and Major Bartlett and was accompanied also by his Private Secretary, His Honour Judge Macdonald. While the Governor read his speech from the Throne, Col. Peake, Captain Bagnall and other officers of the 5th Siege Battery were in attendance.

The Anniversary Church Services yesterday were very largely attended, and it was pleasing to see so many country people present. It is not every market day that they have such an opportunity, and they seemed to appreciate it on the present memorable occasion.

Everyone was sorry to learn that Sir Louis Davies was indisposed and unable to preside at the opening meet-

ing of the Rural Conference. There was a magnificent attendance at both the opening meetings and the other gatherings in connection with the Conference. Much valuable information was imparted, and probably not the least was the address to the clergy by Premier Matheson who ably substituted Sir Louis.

Mrs. Stanley Bagnall has been called home to Sydney on account of the serious illness of her grandmother.

Mrs. Mathieson entertained very pleasantly at Bridge on Saturday evening last, in honor of Mrs. Cosh. Among those present were noticed, Mrs. Parker Carvell, Mrs. Mussen of Stratford, the Misses Hunt of Summerside and Mrs. Brehaut of Edmonton.

Mrs. MacDonald and Miss MacDonald of Government House are visiting in Montserrat.

Canon and Mrs. Simpson and Miss Dorothy have returned from a pleasant holiday at White's Point.

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Miss Mary Hazard left last Wednesday for Montreal, where she will join a corps of nurses, who sail for England in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Weeks, Miss Lorna and Master Buster are visitors at the Cox Hotel, Souris.

Mrs. W. S. Stewart is registered at the Cox Hotel, Souris.

Mr. H. A. Richardson and two sons were in Charlottetown on Tuesday to meet Mr. W. D. Rose and son. All went to Georgetown by the afternoon train, where Mrs. Richardson is spending the summer.

Mr. Harry Tidmarsh was home on furlough for a few days last week.

Judge Fitzgerald's new Bungalow at Holland Cove has added charm to the Summer Resorts. Mr. and Mrs. Shaw of Montreal are there now as guests.

Mrs. Copeland and the Misses Copeland and Mrs. Bull of Toronto are guests at Mrs. Crosskill's.

Mr. W. H. Binning spent the week end at Bidford, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Richards.

Her many Charlottetown friends are pleased to see Miss Gwyneth Coombs, City, back from a pleasant three months visit to her aunt, Mrs. Thomas H. Pope, Newport, Vt., and relatives and friends in Bridgeport, Conn. While in Newport Miss Coombs was asked to sing in the Congregational and Methodist Churches. In the former, during the morning service she sang a solo "Abide with Me," and in the Methodist Church in the evening—with the mercury at 100 in the shade—she also gave a solo. The Newport papers gave a most eulogistic account of her singing, referring in very complimentary terms to the "splendid range and volume and sweetness" of her voice. At

the close of the service on each occasion she was warmly congratulated by members of the congregations. Miss Coombs is glad to be back again in the pleasant cool of her native province.

## DAILY SELECTIONS FOR GUARDIAN READERS

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**AFTER DEATH.**  
 (By Walt Mason.)  
 I do not know just what may happen when I go tumbling off the map, into the other void; I hope to draw a pair of wings and crown and robe, and kindred things, and harp of celluloid. But little do I walk the floor, or lose a chance to sleep and snore, by worrying my head about the things that may befall when I step off this whirling ball, and line a man should, that's pasted in my lid: "With all your fellow men be square; be kind and just to all; nor care a cent what others did." If one is square and just and kind, I don't believe he'll be behind, when they distribute crowns; he'll be a credit to this globe, and he will swap for snows, Religion's tangled, teased and vexed, with gogmas and conflicting text, by sages spitting hairs; and all that fellows really need is just that simple little creed, to climb the golden stairs.

# Big Public Meeting

## Lyceum Hall, Charlottetown

7.30 p. m.

### Wednesday, August 9th

The insistent demand from all parts of the Province for a more general and practical use of the motor car has made it necessary to call a General Meeting of the Progressive Men of the Province to organize The Prince Edward Island Motor League.

### Special Train will leave Summerside on Wednesday Afternoon

returning after the meeting. Full particulars as to time and rates will be announced later—also further particulars as to the meeting. Every progressive citizen of the Province who believes that the Motor Car should be operated generally under proper regulations is urged to reserve Wednesday, August 9th, and attend this meeting.

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