

THE CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN
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OUR REPRESENTATION IN THE CANADIAN PARLIAMENT.

The Halifax Herald is earnestly engaged in an effort to prevent a further reduction in the representation of the Maritime Provinces. The question is now an urgent one, inasmuch as the redistribution which is required to follow the taking of the census will shortly be made. The Herald points out that the four western Provinces stand to gain 21 members, equal to 62 per cent on their former number, while the three eastern Provinces are slated to lose five of the 35 they had, a loss of 14 per cent.

Nova Scotia entered the union with 19 members, increased later to 21, fell off to 18 and is now about to be reduced to 16. New Brunswick entered the union with 14 members, advanced to 16, lost three of these, and now is in peril of being reduced to 11 as the result of the late census. "The case of Prince Edward Island," says The Herald, "is the most glaring of all. The Island fought against Confederation for nine years, from the first conference in Charlottetown in 1864, through the Quebec Conference, and on to 1873, when it came into the Union only because the Dominion Government gave up the principle of representation by population," and granted the Island the representation of six members—the number for which Islanders had held out, and successfully held out, for nine years.

"After such a chapter of political history, for the Dominion authorities to turn around and cut down the Island's representation by 50 per cent., as is now suggested, would be such a breach of faith as no people, large or small, should be asked or expected to submit to."

When this Province, with many misgivings, entered the Dominion in 1873 our six representatives in a House of 206, as it was then, gave us a proportion of one to 34 in the total membership. "If the proposed reduction is to be carried into effect by the new redistribution, which we cannot believe, we shall have a proportion of one to 78 in a House of 234."

It is well known or ought to be well known to every man who sits in the Canadian Parliament, that Prince Edward Island would have never consented to join the Dominion with a less representation than six in the House of Commons, or had it been dreamed that this quota would ever be reduced. We have been entrapped, deceived, while we acquit the fathers of the union of any design to entrap or deceive us. But if the members of

the Parliament of today, knowing the facts, shall insist upon cutting our representation in half, they will write themselves down as political Shylocks who must be held up to deserved execration.

We have submitted to have our six members cut to five and then to four, but there is a limit beyond which British freemen will not and cannot submit and retain their manhood. That point has now been reached. The pound of flesh has been cut again and again. We cannot believe that the outrage will ever be repeated. Rather we cherish the hope that there is enough fair play and justice among the public men of Canada to heal the wounds already made and deal fairly with us in the future.

But if it shall be that the bloody knife is again deliberately whetted to draw blood, and that without profit to the hand that holds it, then we shall know into what despotic and arbitrary power we have been lured in the sweet name of union. Already the pact that binds the Island to Canada has proved a galling yoke. We cannot believe, we refuse to believe, that the statesmen of Canada will proceed to make it intolerable.

Be it observed that the way is open, and the principle has been adopted both by the Imperial Parliament and the Parliament of Canada by which justice can be done to Prince Edward Island and to all the Provinces, without wrong or menace to the rights, or liberties, or interests of any. The precedent is that adopted in the case of British Columbia that its representation could never be reduced, has but to be extended to all the Provinces. The principle is just, equal and politic. No Province has anything to lose, or to fear from a provision that would guarantee to Nova Scotia a minimum of 18, to New Brunswick a minimum of 14, to this Province a minimum of six and to Ontario a minimum of 82 members in the House of Commons.

This is a reasonable, a just and an equal provision which ought to have been embodied in the British North America Act and which would have been so embodied could the conditions now existing have been foreseen. The larger Provinces would then have willingly consented to such a proviso and if a vision of the future could have crossed the minds of the fathers of confederation not on the three Provinces by the sea would have entered the union with a clear-cut stipulation that their original quota of members in the House of Commons should be forever safe from diminution.

LAVISH EXPENDITURES.

An extraordinary statement, purporting to be official and based on the report of expert accountants was printed in The Examiner of Saturday. It shows the expenditure of the Provincial Department of Public Works from October 1st to December 2nd, 1911, to have been \$57,447, or over \$2,000 a day for every working day in the two months.

The same statement also shows the provincial expenditure between September 30 and December 2 to have been \$105,862, while the total receipts during the same period were only \$22,581.

There is surely something in these facts which calls for explanation from the members of the out-going Government.

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The roots of the hair is so nourished and fed that a new crop of hair springs up, to the amazement and delight of the user. The hair is made soft and fluffy. Like all American preparations SALVIA is daintily perfumed. It is hard to find an actress who does not use SALVIA continually. A large bottle for 50c.

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Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box, 25c.

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200 " Queen City Flour,
200 " Phoenix Flour,
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2000 bags
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Molasses Meal, Cotton Seed Meal and Rolled Oats, all of which we are selling at lowest prices.
Wholesale and Retail
A. HORNE & CO.
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LOST 45 POUNDS IN WEIGHT

NOW WEIGHS 125 POUNDS, THANKS TO "FRUIT-A-TIVES"

PLANTAGENET, ONT., Jan. 31st, 1910.
"About March 1st, 1909, I was taken lethally sick with Liver Congestion and Stomach Trouble. I failed from 125 pounds to 80 pounds and was confined to bed for eight weeks. The doctors said they could do nothing for me, and as a last resort, one of the doctors told me to try "Fruit-a-tives"—if they would not cure me, nothing would.
My husband bought some "Fruit-a-tives" and inside of ten days, I was able to leave my bed. My stomach got strong and I could eat and retain my food. Today, I weigh 125 pounds."
—MRS. LAURENCE CADREUX
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ment and their supporters. We await such explanations as may be offered. There were two by-elections during the period under review, which fact will add interest to the general desire for an explanation.

NOTES.

We are to have this time a general election in the Province without any road jobs in connection therewith. The change from old-time practice in that regard will be welcome to honest taxpayers and the friends of clean elections.

The Patriot announces that it is in favor of a car-ferry established and operated by the Government and will to all in its power to bring it about. So far, with the possible exception of the Summerside Pioneer, the project meets with general support in the press of all shades throughout the Province, and has been endorsed by resolution at a number of public meetings. We learn that shortly after polling day in the coming election a public mass meeting will be held in Charlottetown to pronounce upon the project and add weight to the endorsement it has already received.

It is expected that Premier Borden will be honored with Knighthood by the King when the new years honors are distributed. This will be in accord with custom. The first Premier of the Dominion was a K.C.B. Hon. Sir Alexander MacKenzie declined the honor of a title when he became Premier. All their successors except Mr. Borden have held some titular distinction which entitled them to have "Sir" placed before their names. There is little doubt that Mr. Borden will be offered and will accept a knightly distinction. And Sir Robert Borden will sound very well. The title will admittedly befit an able and upright public man.

There are now 170 American cities that have adopted the commission form of Government. These contain altogether nearly 4,000,000 people the average population per city being about 23,000, while six cities have over 100,000 each, one of them, Oakland, Cal., having 150,000.

Tonight is your last chance to make purchases of gifts and we ask you to bear us in mind when setting out to purchase. If chocolates appeal to you we can certainly please as our stock is large, packages very beautiful and contents perfectly fresh. A special feature of our display is the packages we can sell at 35 and 50c. They will be appreciated by anyone. In cased pipes we have nearly one hundred agents samples, including some very fine gold mounted and calabashes—these will be sold at close prices. A box of cigars will please most any man; our Christmas packages are handsome and the cigars very fine indeed. For perfumes we can show an excellent line of standard odors from 25c. to \$5.00. Several other articles are in our stock which will perhaps appeal to you and we ask the favor of a call. The MacKinnon Drug Co., corner Great Geo. and Kent Sts. artf.

SIR ROBERT.
OTTAWA, Dec. 23—According to information received in Ottawa Mr. Borden will be Sir Robert Laird Borden after the distribution of New Year's Honors.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—One of the most spectacular fires New York has seen in several years, swept through a seven story terminal warehouse on Eleventh Avenue. Three alarms were turned in, and three fire boats fought the blaze from the river. The loss is \$500,000 or more.

MASTER MASON CUT PLUG Tobacco
Manufactured by Rock City Tobacco Co, Quebec
Respectfully Yours,
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The new combination collar and lapel enables it to be buttoned up close about the neck in military style protecting the throat and chest.

If you will step in and slip on one of these coats you will be surprised at its warmth and will notice at once the absence of that bulky or heavy feeling found in many coats of this character. They can be worn three different ways with comfort when walking or driving, they are the most deal coats for severe weather that we know about.

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Materials of tweeds and Irish friezers, some very handsome patterns for smart dressers, single breasted button through and double breasted models.

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Many so-called investments are merely expectancies. A Canadian Life Policy is sure to be profitable.

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A Happy New Year To All and please don't forget that a loaf or two of Cameron's Home-Made-Bread will help you enjoy the other good things. Cameron's Bread "is good bread"

To the Electors of Ward Two: I herewith present myself as a candidate for Councillor in the coming Civic Elections to represent Ward Two. I ask your favorable support and promise if elected to give my best attention to the needs of the Ward as well as to further the best interest of the citizens.

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New Years Greetings "We are Out" for Better and Bigger Bargains In goods Than any Other Drug Store. Our Stock the Largest and Most Varied

Leather Goods—Calabash, Briar and Meerchaum Pipes, Walking Sticks Writing Tablets, Dressing Cases, etc Get the Habit Be a Customer. Reddin Bros. Opp Post Office Phone 85

WARM PRAISE FOR THE GRAND TRUNK.
A prominent New York gentleman who has made a sojourn in Canada at the Laurentian Club, Lac-la-Peche, P. Q., in a letter addressed to Grand Trunk headquarters says:—
"I have been over the new Transcontinental line as far as Parent, five miles from the end of steel, and thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity of seeing this portion of your line. It is the same high standard of construction through a difficult country most of the time affording the expected comfort of travel even now. The whole territory is studded with fine lakes and rivers, and will surely open up like this at the Laurentian Club."

THE GRAND TRUNK
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30th October 1911.
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G. W. WAKEFORD,
October 26th, 1911.

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RELIABLE AND POPULAR ROUTE
Between St. John and Boston
WINTER FARES.
CHARLOTTETOWN TO BOSTON
First Class..... \$10.70
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STEEL STEAMSHIPS CALVIN AUS IN Complete Wireless Telegraph Equipment
Leave St. John Thursday at 8 a. m. for Eastport, Lubec, Portland and Boston.
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An Ideal Sea Trip to the Most Delightful and Healthiest Resort in the World. Every outdoor sport, sea bathing, fishing, boating, tennis, golf, cycling, etc. The 1000 Mile Super Ocean Voyage Direct THE MAGNIFICENT EASTERN TRANSATLANTIC LINER "OCEANA"
14,000 Tons Displacement; 535 ft. Long. Largest, Fastest, Most Luxurious and Only Electrically Equipped Steamer to Bermuda. No Cattle or freight carried on the "Oceana."
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CHRISTMAS SAILINGS FROM PORTLAND, ME and HALIFAX, N. S.
From Portland From Halifax
Canada, Dec. 2 Dec. 3
Atlantic, Dec. 9 Dec. 10
Teutonic, Dec. 14 Dec. 15
Rates From First \$85, Second \$50, Third \$31.25.
According to Steamer and Destination
Magnificent New Steamer and Bonanzafully Appointed Has Elevator, Christie String Orchestra.
"GASPAR" and "TEUTONIC" carry One Class Cabin (I) and Third Class Passengers only.
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RUSSIA AND PERSIA THE COON COMES DOWN.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 22—A telegram from Teheran says that Morgan Shuster, Treasurer General of Persia has been notified of his dismissal and the Persian Government has instructed the local authorities to cease hostilities and enter into negotiations with the Russian Consul to restore normal conditions.

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Ottawa, Sept. 28, 1911.
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I consider that the work done at your institution is of a very high standard and I can safely say that the Union Commercial College ranks among the foremost Business Colleges in Canada. To justify this statement I have only to refer to the marks made by me at the last Civil Service examinations. Wishing you continued success in your work, I remain
Yours truly,
(Sgd.) W. J. McDONALD.
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Principal.
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