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## 'THE MACHINE' IN HALIFAX RECEIVED A BAD SMASH

The Labor Candidate Lost His Deposit—  
Finn Received 9,017 Votes, Power  
4,877, and Labor 2,372.

(Special To The Guardian)

HALIFAX, N.S., Dec. 5.—Hon. Robert E. Finn, Liberal, Halifax, resigned as Minister without portfolio in the Nova Scotia government to enter the federal arena was elected today to represent the Halifax constituency in the Federal House by a clear majority of 1,768 over the combined votes of his Independent Liberal and Labor opponents, according to practically complete figures available at midnight tonight. With a total of 9,017 votes he led John J. Power, K.C., Independent Liberal, who polled 4,877 and James J. O'Connell, Labor candidate, with 2,372. Today's total vote of 16,266 according to tonight's figures, is about 50 per cent of that polled in the general elections last year. There are about 55,000 names on the lists. A snow storm which started this morning was partly responsible for the small vote, especially in a campaign which, in the absence of a Conservative candidate involved no party issues and which did not arouse great public interest. No attempt was made this election, either to reach the feminine vote through women's organizations.

The supporters of the three candidates declare their belief that the relative showing of each, The official Liberals state that their transportation provisions partly failed because of the snow. Mr. Powers and Mr. O'Connell's supporters say that in the absence of transportation organizations their candidates lost large numbers of votes which would have been theirs with the weather.

The Liberal organization and Liberal press acclaim Mr. Finn's majority as a great triumph for Liberalism in the constituency and generally an endorsement of both the Federal and Provincial governments whose heads supported Mr. Finn.

On the other hand the Halifax Herald, which has supported Mr. Power in his declared fight against "the machine" tactics, makes the following comment: "The Machine" that nominated Mr. Finn and backed him in the contest received a bad smash. It had been predicted by Mr. Finn's backers that he would win by four to one and that he would have a majority of anywhere from eight thousand to ten thousand over John Power. Mr. Finn had behind him the machinery and organization: Mr. Power had little or no organization; as was the case with Mr. O'Connell."

The campaign was waged largely around Mr. Power's contention that Mr. Finn had been nominated by a "haud plicked" convention not centrally representative of Halifax Liberals, and also around Mr. Finn's record as representative of the

## LANARK SCORES GREAT VICTORY FOR MEIGHEN

Premier King Made Strenuous Effort to Win Lanark By-Elections as it Was a Critical One for his Administration But Failed Signally in his Attempt, the Riding Rallying Loyal to Mr. Meighen's Banner.

(Special To The Guardian)

OTTAWA, Dec. 5.—The King Government has lost Lanark in spite of the local house efforts to add it to the Government list. Premier MacKenzie King not only spoke at every large centre of population but made a personal canvass on behalf of the Liberal nominee Mr. Findlay, a popular manufacturer and protectionist. Lanark was a critical election for King. It was the first real trial of strength since he came to power, and the winning of the contest meant approval of his administration and, moreover, a majority for his party, for if Hon. Mr. Preston, Conservative, had been defeated, the King Government would have been in a majority in the House. But the Liberal has been badly defeated and that in a riding which might have been swayed in favor of the party in power, with the exception of the khaki elections of 1917 and last election, the Conservative majorities were never large, ranging from 7 to 30. In a straight fight on the King Government's record the Conservative has been returned by a majority of over 1,400. Mr. King has small consolation from the fact that Mr. Preston's predecessor polled 2,485 over his two opponents in 1921, for Mr. Stewart was a cabinet minister holding an important portfolio

and had a tremendous personal popularity. So far as the personal element enters into the contest Mr. Findlay had the greater popularity at the time of nomination, but Mr. Preston by his effective platform performances, soon established himself as being equal at home in Dominion politics as he had previously been in provincial politics. Mr. Meighen's three appearances in the district had a profound effect. The public recognized in him a much abler and more sincere debater than Mr. King, and even his opponents recognized that for cleverness Mr. King was not in it at all. Mr. Meighen, Lanark is not an ordinary victory, it is a great triumph over Mr. King as a campaigner, as well as a premier.

PERTH, Ont., Dec. 5.—Lanark remains in the Conservative column. By a majority which promises to be more than 1,400 when all the votes are in, R. F. Preston, (Conservative), formerly minister without portfolio in the Ontario Government was returned victor over David Findlay (Liberal), after one of the most strenuous by-election contests staged in Ontario in years, and the most strenuous ever staged in Lanark County. The urban sections, namely Carleton Place, Smith's Falls, Perth and Almonte went Conservative by large majorities as also did some of the rural areas.

## THE WORLD'S LATEST NEWS SUMMARIZED IN BRIEF

PARIS, Dec. 5.—Steps taken by Premier Poincaré today to hurry parliamentary consideration of Washington naval accord.

VALPARAISO, Dec. 4.—Rear Admiral Colt and officers and crew of the American cruiser Cleveland received warm welcome when cruiser left for Balboa.

ROME, Dec. 5.—Criminals will be clubbed and sent to hospitals instead of being imprisoned as administration of justice under Fascist rule.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—The king today signed the bill setting up the Irish Free State as a dominion of Great Britain and Timothy Healy was appointed first governor of the state.

CANNES, France, Dec. 5.—Deauville Casino gets 12,266 dollars default judgment against John Wannamaker, Jr. son of J. Fredman Wannamaker of New York.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 5.—Clara Phillips, under sentence of years to life imprisonment after conviction for murder of Alberta Meadows, climbed out of a window in the women's section of the county jail today and escaped.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 5.—Beginning today, no liquor will be permitted to enter Turkey and all stocks on hand must be consumed within two months or be destroyed.

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 5.—Chamber of Commerce directors ask Florida senators and senator Underwood to forget party affiliations and support ship subsidy bill in Senate.

New York, Dec. 5.—Two storm warnings were posted along the Atlantic coast today, one from Delaware breakwater to Boston, the second along the New England coast.

ANNAPOLIS, Dec. 5.—With taking of testimony of five midshipmen declaring that nothing disorderly occurred at the navy ball game after the Army-Navy game, the board of enquiry appointed by Secretary Denby to investigate his charges of drinking and disorderly conduct adjourned today to make its report.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—After sixty hours of artificial respiration administered by thirty boys working in relays, 16 years old Simon Shulin, who is suffering from paralysis caused by a broken neck, regained his normal breath and declared on way to recovery. He broke his neck by diving in shallow water last summer. Recent operation affected respiratory organs.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Amendments introduced by Senator La Follette to his seaman act would prohibit clearance of American vessels from American ports with fewer men than they had upon arrival; another would liberalize seamen's shore leave and demand one half their accrued pay under certain limitations upon touching the port of cargo discharge.

JERSEY CITY, Dec. 5.—Johnny Shrugue, lightweight, stopped Willie Jackson in the tenth round of twelve round bout.

SAULT STE MARIE, Mich. Dec. 5.—A gale surpassing that of Thanksgiving day is lashing Lake Superior and driving all ships to shelter.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 4.—Indictments dismissed against Madalyne Obenchain and Arthur Burch charged with murder of J. Helton Kennedy Burch, sent however to hospital for sanitary observation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Increasing travel does not necessitate converting Panama Canal into one of sea level type D. Emory Johnson, former member of Isthmian Canal Commission declared today after visit to canal.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—Winter spread over the Western States today accompanied by zero weather and is expected to spread to the east coast states by tonight or Wednesday. Balmey spring weather prevalent in south Atlantic states now as far north as Philadelphia.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Georges Clemenceau, war-time premier of France, arrived in Washington last night. The aged statesman visited President Harding this morning, and will visit former President Wilson tomorrow. He is scheduled to speak but once here Friday, he then leaves for Chicago.

ANGORA, Dec. 5.—Kemalist government refuses request of American naval authorities that Greek ships be permitted to enter Black Sea ports to embark Christian refugees of whom there are 50,000. It is declared unless Allied ships evacuate refugees within week they will be deported into interior.

PARIS, Dec. 5.—Francis Descombes, manager of Carpenter and Bellers manager of Sikl, declared as infamous lies the declarations of Sikl yesterday that he had been framed to quit to Carpenter in the fourth round of the recent fight, which Sikl won. Descombes said he and Carpenter were going to America in the spring to challenge Harry Greb.

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## NEW IRISH CONSTITUTION PASSED BY HOUSE OF LORDS

Provisional Government Took Charge at Midnight Last Night. No Pomp or Ceremony Attended the Transfer

(Special To The Guardian)

LONDON, Dec. 5.—Without pomp or ceremony the Irish Free State will come into being after midnight tonight. By a special order in council the full administration of the country already has been handed over to the provisional government. Therefore when the constitution comes into effect tomorrow there will be no ceremony of any kind to mark the fulfilment of the treaty made between the British and Irish governments.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—The House of Lords today passed the third and final reading of the Irish constitution bill. Only royal sanction is now required to make it law.

## New Railway President Welcomed to Canada

Sir Henry Tentered a Banquet by Montreal's Leading Citizens Last Evening and Makes His First Public Speech on Assuming Control.

(Special To The Guardian)

MONTREAL, Dec. 5.—Sir Henry Thornton, the new president of the Canadian National Railways was welcomed to Canada at a banquet tendered by the Montreal Board of Trade in the Windsor Hotel last evening. Over 600 of the leading commercial men of Montreal were present and before the dinner a reception was held at which Sir Henry was introduced individually to his fellow diners.

In reply to the toast of our guests Sir Henry made his first public speech in Canada. Sir Henry W. Thornton, said it is with a feeling of gratitude that I rise, first to thank Mr. Beatty for the kindly words he has spoken with respect to the Canadian National Railways and myself, and secondly to thank you all for the cordial way in which you have received his statements. The fact that the president of the Canadian Pacific Railway has done me the honour of proposing my health is in itself a compliment which any railway man would appreciate, for we in the transportation industry regard the Canadian Pacific Railway as one of the best managed and one of the most efficient railways. Its original conception was a bold and statesman-like and its subsequent administration has reflected credit upon all who have been connected with it.

If through those of us who are charged with responsibility of organizing into one unit and working as one unit the Canadian National Railways, succeed in approaching the record of the Canadian Pacific Railway, we shall have done a great service to the people of Canada. The Canadian Pacific Railway should be, and I am sure is, the pride of the people of Canada and much of the prosperity of the Dominion is due to the efforts of its officers and staff. We shall undoubtedly be rivals, and it is good that it should be so but I feel certain that our rivalry will only reflect itself in an effort to furnish to the people of Canada adequate and efficient transportation at reasonable cost. I have envied the Prophet Daniel when he appeared upon one occasion at dinner, the result of which promised to be unpleasant to the principal guest, and with whatever delight the gods may have looked forward to the dinner, the result was set before them, Daniel at least, as the honored guest had the satisfaction of knowing that he would not be called upon to speak after the conclusion of the feast. Apart from the pleasure of meeting those whom I hope will become my Canadian friends, I should be pleased to make no public speeches until I have been in Canada for at least a year. At the ex-

pression of that time my deeds whatever they may be, would have spoken with more accuracy than any statements I can make tonight. For words are easy of pronouncement but actions speak with a greater echo, let me frankly say that I have not the intimate acquaintance with Canada and its transportation needs which many of you possess, and it would be a study of the position to speak in other than somewhat general terms. The amalgamation of constituent railways now known as the Canadian National Railways has for the last two years shown an improving financial position, although the position is not today what any one of us would wish. The fact, however, that the position is improving, shows that it will yield to treatment, and reflects much credit upon those who, under the appointment of the present administration, are working with the administration of the constituent properties. I should be wanting in observation and appreciation if I did not take advantage of this opportunity to thank Sir Joseph Flavelle, Mr. Hanna and Mr. Kelley, their officers and their associates, for the excellent showing they have already done, and the zeal and efficiency with which they executed their responsibility. I hope that those of us will follow the trail they have so ably blazed and may still count upon their valued advice and support. I am not concerned with the events and circumstances which brought the Government of Canada to take over the National Railways system, we are confronted by a condition, not a theory and I must accept things as I find them whatever the reasons may have been, the people of Canada have embarked upon an adventure which has not been conspicuously successful elsewhere, but I firmly believe that for any reason for failure here, profitable certain basic principles are unalterably maintained. There is a distinction, if not a difference, between the government railways of Canada and government owned and operated railways elsewhere in Canada. As I understand the position, the government is the only operators in these properties, or, at least, sufficiently controls the volume of power to appear as the single shareholder, and the government has elected to administer the National Railways in substantially the same way as they were privately owned. The only difference between our railways and private railways is that, so far as we are concerned, there is substantially no shareholder to deal with, namely, the government and on private railways there are perhaps several thousands of shareholders. Appointments in government owned railways elsewhere have taken the form of directly operating the railways by officers and men who were actually the servants of the government, rather than the servants of the railways now this distinction is obviously important, as well as vital, and it certainly tends to make the elimination of undesirable influences from the administration of our railways easier than might otherwise be. Much has been said about the dangers of political interference with our railways and this is at least one subject upon which I can speak with emphasis and authority. The existence of politicians seems to be the price which is paid for a democratic form of government, and generally speaking there are two things in every country which, in the minds of at least fifty percent of the population, afford reasonable grounds for complaint. One is the weather and the other is the government, but in a democratic country, the people get the kind of government

## LIBERAL CONSERVATIVES MEET IN ENTHUSIASTIC CONVENTION

Dr. W. J. P. McMillan and Mr. W. Chester S. McLure Nominated at Large Meeting Last Night to Contest Coming Provincial Election for Charlottetown and Royalty.

(Special To The Guardian)

LONDON, Dec. 5.—The House of Lords today passed the third and final reading of the Irish constitution bill. Only royal sanction is now required to make it law.

At a largely attended and enthusiastic convention of Liberal, Conservative delegates for Charlottetown and Royalty held last night in the Market Hall the following candidates for the Provincial Legislature were unanimously elected to contest the forthcoming election.

For Councilman—Dr. W. J. P. McMillan.  
For Assemblyman—Mr. W. Chester S. McLure.

Mr. W. A. Stewart, president of the county association, occupied the chair at last night's meeting, which had been called to meet in the Board of Trade rooms. These proving altogether insufficient to accommodate the large attendance of convention candidates and party supporters, the Strand Theatre was secured through the courtesy of Mr. Gallagher and the meeting was duly called to order there shortly after 8 o'clock.

After briefly outlining the purpose of the meeting the chairman called for nominations. Mr. D. F. Bethune moved, seconded by Mr. John Murnaghan, the nomination of Mr. John McMillan.  
Mrs. W. T. Walker moved, seconded by Mr. Roy Holman, the nomination of Dr. McMillan. The votes being duly counted, Dr. McMillan was declared elected as candidate and on motion of Mr. John McKenna, seconded by Mr. Bethune, and supported by a standing ovation, this nomination was unanimously carried amid loud applause.

In moving Dr. McMillan's nomination Mrs. Wellner referred to the fact that this was the first time the women of the province had exercised their right of nomination. She spoke very warmly of Dr. McMillan's work on the city School Board as Health Inspector and in the Children's Aid Society; and of the interest he had always shown in civic health and progress generally. Amid applause she declared her conviction that the women of Charlottetown would give him their whole-hearted support at the polls.

The nomination of Mr. McLure for assemblyman was moved by Coun. Hugh Connors and seconded by Mr. A. A. Hennessey. No other nominations being received a formal ballot was cast and Mr. McLure declared nominated, amid very enthusiastic applause.

The chairman then called upon Dr. McMillan as he stepped forward to the front of the hall. After tendering his thanks he said that on several occasions he had been tendered offers to enter politics, both local and federal, but had hitherto refused. This time however he intended to accept because he knew enough about public affairs in this city and in the province to know that it is every one's duty to do whatever they can to rid the city and province of the present "ten cent aggregation of politicians" who are in power. (Loud applause.) Since you have put this duty upon my shoulders of becoming your candidate," he continued, "I say that I accept that duty from you. I thank you for the confidence you have shown in me and on the other hand I expect now that you will elect me." (Applause.) And if you can read the feeling of the public right, I think that being a candidate on the Conservative side, I have a very fair chance indeed of being elected." (Applause.)

Dr. McMillan referred to the double honor he had received in that his nomination had been

moved by a lady delegate, and he would be the first local candidate to solicit the suffrage of the lady voters, whose entrance into politics he felt sure would result in material benefit to the province.

Dr. McMillan then referred to the many broken promises of the Bell government and concluded a masterly criticism of the government by assuring his hearers that if elected, whatever promises he made would be carried out to the letter and this he could also say for the leader of the party, Mr. Stewart, because Conservative leaders do not leave unfulfilled promises behind them. (Loud applause.) Mr. W. Chester S. McLure, called upon, was also very warmly received. He thanked his hearers for the honor conferred upon him in making him their standard bearer in the coming election and assured them he would endeavor to justify this confidence to the best of his ability.

Mr. J. D. Stewart, K.C., leader of the Liberal Conservative party in this province, then addressed the meeting, expressing his deep satisfaction at the very heartening and encouraging manner in which the meeting had been carried out and in the splendid attendance and enthusiasm which prevailed.

He congratulated the convention upon its choice of candidates, and stressed also the need of thoroughly organized support.

Referring to the policy of the party, Mr. Stewart declared that when the proper time comes this policy will be enunciated. "If we are elected to power, whatever an honest and faithful effort made to put it into practice, and no attempt made to use it merely as a platform upon which to walk into power!" (Applause.) This he pointed out was the proud record of the Liberal Conservative party and was the differentiating line between the one party and the other.

At the conclusion of Mr. Stewart's remarks, the meeting adjourned, when many present availed themselves of the opportunity of congratulating Dr. McMillan and Mr. McLure and assuring them of their whole-hearted support.

## SUPREME COURT

At the Supreme Court, Summer side, the case of Ellis vs. Bernerd, action for criminal conversation which was begun on Friday last, was continued yesterday when for a verdict was given for plaintiff for \$100 damages. Messrs Stewart, K.C. and Matthews for Plaintiff, Mr. Saunders, K.C. defendant. The court adjourned sine die.

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