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P. E. I. BOARDS OF TRADE

The annual meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade will be held in Charlottetown on Monday next, the 16th inst. This will be one of the most important meetings yet held by the Associated Boards. The present year has opened up many questions of discussion which come up in the mouth of properly within the range of the business men and the farmers who are associated for the purpose of devising and advising on matters of interest to all classes. Events are at present moving rapidly. Business has been good and may be made better. City and country have become better acquainted. Come better acquainted still. Interests are mutual; the prosperity of the one means the prosperity of the other and both can be improved by wider acquaintance and more frequent conferences and discussions.

ELECTION PROSPECTS

From all over Canada, from every province comes word of the backing down of Liberal candidates from the pending contest. There is evidently "constitutional" trouble in the ranks and the idea is quite general that the Liberal party under Mr. MacKenzie King's leadership is, for the present at least, down and out. It is generally believed that with the refusal of Mr. E.M. Macdonald to face it, the last hope of Nova Scotia Liberals to return even one representative is gone. Mr. James A. Fraser, the very reputable and respectable editor of the New Glasgow Chronicle who in the 87th year of his age was nominated as a last resort rather than let Pictou County go by default—has consented to run, but at his age, he is not expected to run either very far or very fast. The fact that he is an avowed secessionist will not matter as the Liberal party has several others of like ilk. It was a shame to persuade him to accept nomination but it is somewhat to his credit to act as a lone "shock troop" and his friends will think none the less of him for his sacrifice. New Brunswick is little, if any, better from the Liberal view point and in every province right through to the Pacific Coast the assured indication is that the Conservatives will make such gains as will insure Premier Meighen a substantial majority over all in the coming parliament.

of extraordinary interest. The Liberal candidates and their spokesmen have taken refuge in a general denial of all that Mr. MacKenzie King and his government are charged with. They declare they have been slandered by the press, have been wrongfully used by the Governor General and by the Premier Meighen which he never uttered and attribute to him all kinds of political intentions, should be returned to power. The people know definitely and unmistakably what Premier Meighen stands for; they know the charges made against the MacKenzie King Government and they know that all those charges have been substantiated by sworn evidence before a parliamentary committee of which the majority were supporters of the King administration. It is child's play to deny these charges; they have been proved to the hilt.

What then? What are the electors of this province going to do about it? We have only four representatives. Those four elected on one side or the other will not materially affect the situation so far as the standing of the government is concerned. What would it mean to the province to have its four members lined up with the party in power? There is no reasonable doubt that Premier Meighen shall have the government. This is no political camouflage; it is confidently expected all over the dominion, it is conceded everywhere except in the Liberal press and by some Liberal candidates. Those of the latter who read aright the signs of the times have taken refuge in flight. It is now for the electors of this province to look the situation squarely in the face. Let them not be misled either by Liberal or Conservative representations. Take the published, official records. Is it reasonable to suppose the parliamentary committee was in error or was mistaken in censuring the King Government? Is it reasonable to deny that the King Government was censured by its own parliamentary committee? Is the King Liberal party, after its five years record worthy of being again entrusted with office? All over Canada the answer is emphatically No. Let the electors of Prince Edward Island make a similar answer on September 14th by voting for the four Conservative Candidates.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Like the Ancient Mariner the thirsty souls in Charlottetown, as they look to the waterfront and see the ship lying there with 700 cases of liquor on board, may sadly say "Liquor, liquor, everywhere, and not a drop to drink!" The Liberal candidates are pinning their faith to the Robb Budget and to a general denial of the Customs scandal. Both are poor pegs to hang their case upon. Whatever good is contained in the Robb budget was four years overdue and was only made good on the eve of the present election campaign. The Customs scandal will not down with any kind of denial. Premier Meighen has already shown that he has the courage of his convictions with reference to protecting the Canadian farmer. During his short period in office he has put a protective duty on American potatoes and fruit and set the fair market value of potatoes at \$1.20 per bushel. And this is only the beginning. The cry of "high protection" will avail little against this action to protect the Canadian farmer.

Notes by the Way

Sir John Macdonald, when recovering from a dangerous illness in 1870 came to Prince Edward Island to recover his health and strength. Here he completed his recovery and also fell in love with our Province and people. A kind Providence added twenty years to his life thereafter which period included many of the more important events of his long and useful career. His visit and recovery were a splendid advertisement for the Island Province as a health resort and has since brought hundreds of invalids to our shores from the inland districts of Canada on a like mission and with like results.

In the period between 1870 and 1891 the Province of Manitoba was created, the Northwest Territories organized, British Columbia brought into the Dominion in 1871, and Prince Edward Island in 1873, the Canadian Pacific Railway and the Intercolonial Railway completed, the Maritime Provinces linked with all the Mainland Provinces by rail, and the National Policy of Protection, which made Canada what it is industrially today was established. What a vast work was that to be accomplished under the leadership of one great Statesman, in the added years of a life which seemed to be closing in the earlier part of 1870.

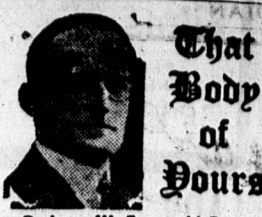
The writer of these notes was present in Ottawa in that dark period when during the session of Parliament the Conservative Leader was suddenly stricken and momentarily expected to die; when for weeks his medical attendants feared to remove him to his home; when later he was taken to the Speaker's Chambers in the Parliament Buildings and thence, when still unable to stand a railway journey, he was brought to Prince Edward Island by steamer. Who it can doubt that his recovery was hastened by the cool breezes and health-giving air of our restful Province?

Who can doubt that the hand of Providence was in it when the Great War came on, that Canada was under the sure and safe guidance of Sir Robert Borden? Under his firm hand, as Leader of a Conservative Government and later as Prime Minister of the Union Government, the Dominion was carried through that tremendous struggle to the final and glorious victory. Under Sir Thomas White the Dominion was financed more successfully than any other country among our allies. Let us not forget these things in times like the present.

And let us not forget that before the War it was the Borden Government that gave to Prince Edward Island the Car Ferry the great boon that first made our Province an integral part of the Dominion. They did more; they saved our Province from financial wreck and ruin by increasing our federal subsidy, under which increase we have already received nearly a million and a half. More still, they saved our representation from being further reduced from four members to two in the House of Commons, which would now be our portion but for what they did for us.

Furthermore, let us not forget that Right Honorable Arthur Meighen, now Prime Minister of Canada, was the trusted colleague of Sir Robert Borden during the war and the period of reconstruction that immediately followed, and when Sir Robert, worn out with his arduous and patriotic labors laid down the Premiership, he designated Arthur Meighen as his successor in office. These are the statesmen who gave able, faithful and honest service to Canada and to Prince Edward Island in times of great emergency. Is it not a good time just now to remember what they did for us?

Think for a moment, gentle reader, what ever did Mackenzie King and his Government do or try to do for Prince Edward Island? Let his supporters, his candidates tell us if they can. He owes us something. We owe him nothing. We gave him a seat in Prince County in his time of need and started him in his career. Successful defeats in Ontario have now driven him to far-off Saskatchewan and his government alike turned their backs upon our Province and the Maritimes.



As James W. Borden, M.D.

A NEW DEFINITION OF CANCER I came across a good definition of cancer recently and I hasten to hand it along to my readers. "Cancer is a growth composed of cells which were originally healthy body cells, but because of some kind of injury, these cells have become practically baby cells again with the power of reproducing themselves, but of no use to the body, because they have ceased to work."

This is not unlike Cohnheim's theory that cancer is made up of body cells that have been in the ground for years without growing. Something irritates them and they grow very rapidly, as if trying to catch up for the forty or more years, that they have been inactive.

Now what causes this mutiny? What causes this overproduction of the apparently normal yet useless cells? No one knows. The idea that a germ enters into the matter is now gaining ground with research men, but they are all careful to say that cancer germ cannot cause cancer in a healthy body, or on a healthy surface. In other words in order for the cancer germ to cause cancer, it must be like the seed in the garden. That seed needs the right soil, water, and sunshine. Similarly the cancer germ must get on the right soil—surface tissue—and must have that tissue bathed with some poisonous substance manufactured in the body, or coming from without. A British surgeon tells us that a "healthy stomach does not become cancerous." Something interferes with it in such a way as to slow up, or make its action sluggish. This slowness or sluggishness helps to prepare the soil on the surface of the stomach, and when cancer germ has the right material upon which to work. Now as more than half the cancer occurs in the digestive tract, constipation are the cause of this slowing up, or sluggishness of stomach and intestinal action. Added to this are those things which lower body resistance, such as worry, overwork, sleeplessness, lack of sunshine, exercise, the idea then is that cancer waits for your help to grow, just as watchfulness and care on your part prevent the formation of those things on which cancer thrives.

Daily Selections FOR Guardian Readers

GOD'S PEOPLE KNOW. We know in all your hearts and in your souls, that not one thing hath failed of all the good things which the Lord your God spake concerning you. Jos. 23:14.

PRAYER. We know, dear Lord, Thou art faithful, Thou canst not deny Thyself.

HIDDEN FLAME I feel a flame within, which so torments me, That it both pains my heart, and yet contents me; 'Tis such a pleasing smart, and I so love it, That I had rather die than once remove it.

Yet he, for whom I grieve, shall never know it; My tongue does not betray, nor my eyes show it; Not a sigh, nor a tear, my pain discloses; But they all silently, like dew on roses.

Thus, to prevent my Love from being cruel, My heart's the sacrifice, as 'tis the fuel; And while I suffer this to give him quiet, My faith rewards my love, though he deny it.

On his eyes will I gaze, and thereon delight me; While I conceal my love no wrong can fright me. To be more happy I dare not aspire, Nor can I fall more low, mounting no higher.

Yes! this bragging and boaster can yet throw sticks and stones at Arthur Meighen, and sneer at Maritime Rights. Sir John Macdonald in his time was often greeted in the same fashion. He used smilingly to reply "that the best apple trees in the orchard had the most stones and sticks under them."

Operated by an electric motor, a mortising machine has been invented that can be clamped to the wood it is to cut, and that has an automatic gauge to stop it at a set depth.

That Body of Ours

The Public Forum This column is open for the discussion of questions of interest to the Charlottetown Guardian and its readers. The opinions of correspondents are not necessarily those of the editor.

NEGLECTING THE ORGAN Sir—Have you noticed that the Liberal candidates in Queens and Kings counties have not advertised their political meetings in the Patriot? Are they of the opinion that the people do not read their organ, or if they do, pay no attention to what it publishes, and decided that their advertisement in that paper would therefore be a waste of money?

After all it was and is cruel for these men to broadcast this. The Patriot has been doing its level best for them in its own peculiar way; and it was and is, to say the least, ungrateful to ignore and attempt to slight their faithful organ in this way.

I am glad to see that the Conservative candidates are more generous and are using the Patriot's address columns, which shows broad sympathies. I am, Sir, etc., FRIEND OF THE PARTY.

AN ENEMY OF THE MARITIMES Sir—I notice by an advertisement in The Patriot that Hon. C. A. Dunning, Ex-Minister of Finance, and Hon. J. A. Robb, Ex-Minister of Finance, are going to address the electors in the Strand Theatre, at Charlottetown, on the evening of August 18th.

If Hon. Charles Dunning is coming to this Province it is not because of any love he has for the people or for the people of any of the Maritime Provinces. Mr. Dunning is so furious over Mr. Meighen's action in taking the portfolio of Railways from the West and giving it to a Maritime province man, that he is ready to hurt any sort of an insult at the Maritime people. A short time ago the Liberals in Regina held a convention and nominated Mr. Dunning as their candidate. The morning following the convention the Liberal organ, in that city, reported the Ex-Minister of Railways as having uttered these highly insulting words when referring to the people of the Maritimes: "There are some matters of importance to the people of the Maritime Provinces. The first is to be born, the second to have a wife, the third to be married and the fourth to die."

Could anything more insulting to the Maritime people be uttered than to say that the only things of importance to them was to be born, to ride free on the railway, to get married and to die? Now, I ask you, in view of the words quoted above, is this great, uneducated Western, political spell-binder, Mr. Dunning, being brought to this Province to speak to its people? If the Liberal party desires to have its leader address our people on the public questions of the day it will surely bring down its ranks men with a better education and a higher standard. Where, for instance, is the Maritime Liberal leader, Hon. E. M. Macdonald? It is said that when Mr. Macdonald came down to the Maritimes after Parliament prospects so blue that he decided to retire to private life, and has since declined nomination in what was formerly the strongest Liberal constituency in Nova Scotia. But that aside, I submit that the action of the Liberals in bringing the Ex-Minister of Railways to this Province is, in view of his clearly expressed enmity towards the Maritimes, a gross insult to the people of this Province and to the Maritime Provinces in general.

I am, Sir, etc., MARITIME RIGHTER. CONSERVATIVE MAJORITY ASSURED Sir—Our opinion relative to the outcome of the present campaign is that the majority at the close of the polls for the Conservatives will be more than sufficient over all parties to give Canada a much needed useful government, nor need the acquiescence of this much expected welcome offering of political wisdom cause unnecessary anxiety to its healthy, able, well-developed people, yet as Napoleon said to the young physician whom he observed was acting rather nervously when called upon to assist at the birth of the King of Rome, "Sir, imagine yourself delivering a poor woman in the Faubourg St. Germain."

Daily Lessons In English By W. L. Gordon By W. L. GORDON WORDS OFTEN MISUSED: Don't say "my papers are arranged differently than yours." Say "from yours." OFTEN MISPRONOUNCED: accent the first syllable. OFTEN MISSPELLED: hosanna, red 'n's. SYNONYMS: greedy, stingsy, avaricious, miserly, penurious, rapacious, voracious. WORD STUDY: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Today's word: POSTURE; position of the body; attitude. "She retained her standing posture and awaited commands."

German and not her Majesty the Emperor of France," so do not become nervous but develop your eminent profession to the limit and concentrate the varied lights that flash on your canvas from one and all painters the picture and that moulds public opinion whose deliberation and decisions are made easy through your elucidation.

And this we might venture to say, that before the ex-Premier made the palpable blunder of calling in requisition for campaign purposes the Canadian Constitution he had as the doctors would say a fighting chance of again being able to form a government and it was only when the darkening cloud in amendment defeats overshadowed a coming storm that he lost his head and like Tam O'Shanter roared into a maladiction at the Hon. Mr. Stevens and his vigilant group accompanying like a fierce bald eagle he flew to Rideau Hall armed with his sharp talons to tear his way back to power even if he had to destroy the gallant occupant of the gubernatorial chair; this done he could pick up his unfledged brood and heigh back to the roost and there announce to the astounded commons that dissolution had been granted and thus again he would face the elector as victor, for leader not as a discredited partizan, but alas, "in pride of place here last the eagle flew."

Unlike Mr. King, Lord Byng kept his head as he had done in so many of his previous campaigns and this time for the benefit of Canada a gentleman above party; a true sportsman who played the game and played it fair; a brained and valiant soldier who had never, nor any of his gallant Canadian comrades evaded but honorably the death and steel of the German hordes in the infested Vimy Ridge, was he to be discomfited into making a blunder by Canadian octopus in whose tentacles the people were being blistered and squeezed to death? No, too astute, to diplomat, too honorable and human for Mr. King to confound for he understands the devious tactics so often employed by a discomfited political cabal. As is the custom up to this date he had been purely a spectator in their game signalling to the people only what the administrator was wont to make known by Royal proclamation, now the hour had arrived when he was forced to become a partaker in the deliberations—Nay in the well-being of the state he had been called upon to govern and if it was a precedent surely it was a timely one.

Now Sir, outside the few uncertainties steeped in luckless prejudices and who follow the Red Flag of the Free Traders as they wave it in derision of Canada, and thus decry our citizens across the Southern border that they may enjoy and benefit by protection what here they have denied us and these people one and all go as mad as Charles Lever's plenciers were when contradicted thus are we forced to aver 99 per cent of the Canadian electors knew that if he did not succeed in his scheme of dissolution his, and party intentions were to despoil the honorable name held by the war hero, to trample a glorious renown in the graveyard of dishonor "Where all those creeping things that root in the decay of nobler natures hasten to the feast." This was what the democratic party under Cleveland did to Lord Sackville West and this scheme, evidently was the intemperate scheme of the Liberal party when he informed his faithful followers of his disastrous failure to bring Lord Byng to further his coup d'etat yet up to this date and for sometime later he and his party imagined that they had the electoral position still in hand by making campaigns, but alas "the best laid schemes of mice and men oft gang a-gley" nor did the stentorian blarney of Rhoderick Dhu on his Dundeer's horn raise among the heather hills an indefinite number of faithful warriors than did this sinister hint that the King's representative had infringed the Canadian Constitution thus leaving a waste paper and this uprising was misunderstood as being in the ex-Premier's favor, for some days but soon the scales fell from their eyes for it was the death thrill of their political lives, in their despair they were nothing better than a Russian sturgeon party pursued on steppes of Central Asia by a pack of hungry wolves and even their damages were not limited to what had happened them but our Canadian braves had not been adroitly diverted, for instead of King's intended victim he threw the Premier to the howling pack on whom to stanch their vengeance.

The "Volte Face" of the ex-Premier and his independent lieutenant expect to escape the acumen and carry judgment of our Canadian folks and does any politician of today think such childish rot that would not purchase food for a sparrow-hawk's brood, or catch a vote from the most delatant inexperienced citizen is good politics? Is it not disgraceful to make difficulties out of trifles? Such a display of nonsense is folly, why Canada is one of the finest pieces in the grand edifice of the British Empire not a dependent trussel that any Samson could bring down. And what was Mr. Forke doing at a government house after the defeat Mr. King had sustained, there could be only one matter at this moment the government and him was jointly concerned in and was called upon to discuss, a question as to whether the Leader of the Progressive party would support the new administration, that the date at least might have sufficient supplies to carry on with. We are informed he promised the Government he would do so and we believe ere this time, he had promised to be greatly beneficial.

I am, Sir, etc., C. MINTO A QUESTION ANSWERED Sir—I note that The Patriot reports: "One of the features of the meeting at Vernon River was just before the speeches began, Mr. John O'Keefe, a well known and leading elector of Avondale asked the candidates to answer the following question: Suppose the cost of manufacturing a wagon in Canada, including the overhead expenses, plus also a profit to the manufacturer was \$100 and suppose the cost of manufacturing the same wagon in the United States including expenses, and also allowing for a profit was \$100. If the American wagon had to meet a duty of 30 per cent coming into Canada, would it mean that the Canadian manufacturer would take advantage of this tariff and put up his price to \$130? Well, suppose again that Messrs Sinclair and Jenkins were right in their reply that the purchaser would have to pay \$130 for the car, if the purchaser in the United States purchased it in Canada instead of in the United States, in that case the whole amount of \$130 would remain in Canada, circulating among the people and adding as much to the wealth of the country; whereas, if purchased in the United States, the purchaser would have the car lost forever the \$100 paid for it. From the country's point of view, therefore, there can be no question that the protective duty would be greatly beneficial.

But suppose, again, that the car rings-maker obtained, in clear profit the full amount of the duty at Messrs. Jenkins and Sinclair maintain, many months would not have elapsed before other wagon makers were making wagons, other employers would be earning good wages and still more money would be circulating in the country, and then, when competition became brisk, prices would be lowered to the point at which only a fair profit could be made. That has been the result in the United States, where prices of such things as automobiles, mowers, reapers, books, shoes, cottons and other manufactured articles are sold to the farmers and others at prices lower than the prices paid in Canada,—while the United States is at the same time the richest, and already one of the most populous countries in the world; and also, though the tariff continues to be high,—one of the most lightly taxed.

Suppose again that the manufacturer in the United States made all our carriages and other implements, how long would it be before the prices would be advanced to any figure that they might wish, and where in the meantime would the Canadian workman find employment—and what would be the end of Canada be. I am, Sir, etc., A British Canadian Elector Aug. 11th, 1926.

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