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"BY WHAT RIGHT OR AUTHORITY"

Under this heading yesterday's Patriot quotes the following from the Montreal Star:

"Those who are prepared to support Union Government naturally expect that they will have a voice in the selection of Union candidates. Any course which prevents this is liable to provoke discord and undermine unity of effort when it is most needed."

It then proceeds to ask why Mr. Donald Nicholson and Mr. Alexander Martin are proclaimed as Union candidates at the forthcoming election. The answer is obvious—because they are the only supporters of the Union Win-the-War Government in the field.

Two Liberals have been nominated, but they have not publicly expressed their views on the Union Government. An endeavor was made by Win-the-War Liberals to get the Liberal machine to fall into line with the Win-the-War Liberals in other parts of Canada and support the Union Government. It was proposed that one Conservative Unionist and one Liberal Unionist be nominated and thus avoid an election. Mr. Donald Nicholson and Mr. Alexander Martin both expressed their willingness to go before a joint convention of Liberals and Conservatives each taking his chance of being selected as one of the candidates. A convention of chairmen of the Liberal polls in the county was then called and the proposal submitted to them, but the majority of those persons decided not to countenance a compromise, but to place both their candidates in the field. It will thus be seen that it was the Liberal machine itself that placed its candidates out of the running for recognition as Union candidates. It is regrettable and we feel assured that many of the Liberals as well as many of the Conservatives regret the decision.

The Patriot, we think, will bear us out when we say that the predominant feeling among Liberals in Queen's County is that Union candidates, supporters of the Win-the-War Government, should be returned to Parliament.

It is observable that in the same issue of the Patriot in which this question is asked, the editor calls a meeting of "Liberal committees of Charlottetown and Royalty" for organization purposes. This shows that so far as the Patriot is concerned there is no delusion as to who are the Union candidates and who are the Liberal.

THE VICTORY LOAN

Overshadowing even the coming federal election is the preparation being made to launch Canada's big victory loan. Never before in the history of Canada has such an effort been put forth as is being made in connection with this gigantic undertaking, an undertaking which will at once demonstrate Canada's loyalty to the Empire and the undoubted wealth of the country. The leading financiers in Canada, the leading business men in all cities, the leading men in every community are giving their services free to make the loan a success. The country from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the United States border to the Arctic Circle is to be thoroughly combed for this loan. It is not going to be an appeal to banks or other financial institutions but an appeal to the citizenship of Canada to participate. Men and women are not going to be asked to make a sacrifice but to make an investment; they are not going to be asked to take chances, they will have the whole dominion of Canada as security for the loan; they are not going to be asked to pay into a fund for the prosecution of the war, but to invest what money they can at a much higher rate of interest than that now paid by the savings banks. The loan will be a source of wealth both to Canada and to individual investors; to the former because all the interest paid will be paid to Canadians and circulated in the country; to the latter because it is an interest bearing investment, money laid by for a rainy day.

Full particulars will be made public

shortly as to amount of interest, minimum amounts accepted, to whom the money may be paid and who will have power to issue receipts. In the meantime everybody should prepare to participate in what will certainly be Canada's biggest financial undertaking hitherto, as well as a souvenir of Canada's part in the world's greatest war.

THE WAR

The Italian situation in the war is now with many the absorbing topic. The Teutonic blows which so speedily reduced Serbia and Roumania are recalled by the sudden and almost overwhelming blow struck on the Italian front and the question is being asked: Is Italy to be swept by the Central Powers, as Serbia and Roumania and Belgium were. The answer to the question is that Italy is not going to be so overrun. It is extremely improbable that the Austro-German armies, even if they could, would penetrate far into Italy. One reason for this conclusion is that Berlin has already given an excuse for not going farther. She did not invade Italy, they tell us, for conquest or aggression; the defeat of the Italian army, which they greatly magnified was, they tell us, intended only to bring peace nearer.

The true inwardness of the attack in force upon Italy appears to be that some such stroke was necessary to keep Austria and Turkey in the war. They were becoming war weary; they had both been suffering severely not only in losses in the armies, but in want and threatened starvation at home. A few divisions of German troops withdrawn from the Russian front would enable them to strike a heavy blow on the Italian front and so keep up the pretense that they were winning. The blow they struck was a terrific one. It is possible even probable, that there was treachery on the part of some Italians, possible, as is asserted, that Italian spies—or German spies in the Italian army—indicated to the invaders the weak spots in the defence. The fact that the Austro-German armies made their attack in an entirely new and undefended area lends color to this charge. The Italian lines were broken, their flank was turned and the enemy succeeded in overrunning practically all that the Italians had won in the last six months. According to our despatches yesterday morning, the Italians succeeded in saving the greater part of their guns and their main army was able to retire in good order, although they lost many prisoners.

The war is not going to be decided on the Italian or the Russian front. It will be decided on the western front where the British and French troops are pounding their way through and where shortly they will be aided by American troops. This is where the war is going to be ended and it will not be ended until our armies cross the Rhine, until the horrors of war are brought home to Germans on German soil. It is because of this that Canada and all the rest of the Empire and its Allies must put forth every effort and do it quick. We have heretofore built our hopes upon the assistance we were going to get from new allies. We expected the Russian "steam roller" to crush Hungary and we were even counting the days until they would be knocking at the gates of Berlin; when Roumania entered we looked for the demoralization of the Teutonic defence; we expected Greece to be a factor. None of our expectations were fulfilled. Russia went to pieces; Roumania, unwisely and contrary to the advice of the Allies, went out for conquest instead of defending her own borders, and she was crushed; Greece, through treachery and internal disagreement did nothing. Neither of these is a factor now, although we still have hope that Russia will be fighting trim by next spring.

We must now depend solely on ourselves; we must finish the war. The United States will be a factor next summer, but we cannot afford to wait even for that; we must keep on keeping on.

The fighting of the past week on the western front has been extremely violent and our Canadians have added to the glory won in previous battles. They have taken the Passchendale ridge which practically dominates Flanders to the coast. They are still holding it but the enemy has not as yet abandoned their efforts to retake the position. That the ridge can be held, however, there is little doubt, and its holding will be one of the great factors in driving the Germans out of Belgium and Northern France. In the meantime and to help them hold it, and drive the enemy still further back we must have men and more men to help them.

NOTES

Disaster to Italy puts a little more weight on John Bull's shoulders, but the place to bear the burden is the Western front.

HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

Queen Mary and Princess Mary are recently wearing a plain gold brooch on which is mounted a silken strip of the Grenadier Guards' colors, the regiment of the Prince of Wales.

Invitations have been issued for the wedding of Lady Maud Cavendish daughter of their Excellencies the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, and Capt. A. Mackintosh, Royal Horse Guards, which will take place in Christ Church Cathedral, Ottawa, today at 2.30 o'clock, followed by a reception at Government House.

Among the out-of-town guests who are at the Capital this week for the wedding ceremony of Lady Maud Cavendish and Capt. Angus Mackintosh, Royal Horse Guards, are the Premier of Ontario, Sir William Hearst, and Lord and Mrs. John Burdett of Quebec; Lord and Lady Shaughnessy, Sir Frederick and Lady Williams-Taylor, the Consul-General for France, Mr. C. Bonin and Mrs. Bonin, Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Beardmore, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence I. de Sola, and Mr. and Mrs. J. K. L. Ross, of Montreal.

Premier and Mrs. Arsenault and family are now in residence at their new home on Longworth Avenue and being warmly welcomed to this city.

Mrs. MacDonald, wife of Judge Eneas MacDonald, has gone to Montreal on a visit to friends.

Miss Mary Davies who has been ruit-picking in Ontario, has been in Ottawa.

The Women's Club was informally opened on Thursday afternoon, with quite a large attendance. The patriotic work of former seasons will be continued with even more energy than formerly, as the members are most enthusiastic.

Hallowe'en, the eve of popular joy making, was royally celebrated on Wednesday, especially by the kiddies, while several parties among the older folks are also pleasantly discussed. Hallowe'en is the vigil of Hallowmas or All Saints' Day, and is usually celebrated with the religious in wailing dirges by the younger element, such as masking the face, giving for apples, etc. In the old days principally among the Scotch people, the essential part of the Hallowe'en ritual consisted in the lighting of bonfires at nightfall.

The departure for Ottawa today of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. McLean is widely regretted in business and social circles, as they were both very popular.

Mrs. Vernon Castle's latest movie "The Society Dancing Instructress" is soon to be screened in "Stranded in Arcady."

The Rotarians at their monthly meeting on Thursday night, at the most enjoyable dinner at the Kosey Korner, had the pleasure of listening to Colonel Baud of Halifax tell of his experiences at Courcellette. Colonel Baud is accompanied by Colonel Flowers, who was also in France with the famous 25th Battalion. They are here on official business in connection with the Military Depot shortly to be opened.

A letter from Sister Pope to a friend in Halifax, brings news that she is assistant matron at a hospital in England wherein are 2,000 beds; is very well and is expecting shortly to be ordered to France.

The Golf Club closed last week, much to the regret of the members, who found the season all too short.

Matching sets of hats and shopping bags are much in vogue. Many of these are furnished and are made of velvet, silk and even cloth, such as broadcloth. An effective set seen recently was of satin embroidered in many colors of chenille.

Mrs. Edwin Aitken gave a prettily arranged children's Hallowe'en party this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. O. Morson have returned from a holiday trip to New York.

Charlie Chaplin, who is now in Honolulu, sent \$500 this week to Col. Noel Marshall, Toronto, to aid the British Red Cross campaign.

Miss Margaret Peters has returned home from St. John, where she was visiting for some time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Sherman Peters.

Mrs. A. A. Pomeroy announces the engagement of her daughter, Miss Marion C. Auld to Mr. Robert H. Beal, manager of the King & Sherman Branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia at Hamilton, Ont., marriage to take place at an early date.

Miss Alice Cox left this week to spend a month with her sister, who is matron of the Falconer Hospital, Jamaica Plains, Mass.

A delightful Hallowe'en tea, served in a most picturesque and quaintly decorated hall, was held by the young ladies Guild of St. James' Church on Tuesday of this week, which netted a nice large sum for their patriotic work.

Mrs. (Dr.) Blanchard has gone shortly on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Mahon, who is at present in Montreal undergoing medical treatment.

Speaking at Plymouth for the Y.M.C.A. on Monday, the Duke of Connaught said he had only just returned from France where he had been amongst the Canadians. His only regret after fifty years spent in the army was that he was too old to be fighting. At the front he visited a dug-out at Vimy converted into a Y.M.C.A. quarters. It had been taken only eight days before from the enemy.

Dr. Gordon Alley left this week for overseas service.

OUR OTTAWA LETTER

(From our own Correspondent.) OTTAWA, October 29, 1917.— Since I last wrote you A. K. McLean, of Halifax, has entered the Union Government and has been appointed vice chairman of the treasury board of the cabinet by virtue of which position he is entitled to act as Finance Minister in the absence of Sir Thomas White. Mr. McLean's position as financial critic of the Liberal party in the late Parliament fits him to ably discharge the duties of this position. Arrangement is being made, so it is reported here, for many acclamations in the west, so far as this can be done by the organization of the old parties. The idea is apparently to have the Union Government represented by eight former Conservatives and seven Liberals in Manitoba; six Conservatives and ten Liberals in Saskatchewan; five Conservatives and seven Liberals in Alberta, and nine Conservatives and four Liberals in British Columbia. Mr. Bennett, of Calgary, who has been here for several days, left for home yesterday. Before leaving he announced that he would not be a candidate for re-election. Hon. A. L. Sifton will be candidate for re-election. Hon. A. L. Sifton will be a candidate in the coming election. But George is a pretty slippery proposition and I am not banking too much on this declaration. Hon. N. W. Rowell may run in Brant County. David Carey, a Toronto newspaper man, will likely be a Union candidate in South Toronto, and is prominently mentioned as Parliamentary Secretary for Labor. Writs for the election will be issued on Wednesday or Thursday of this week. There is every likelihood that the 17th of December will be polling day.

PROHIBITION RELEASES

Sir,—I noted with a good deal of interest the explanation of His Honor the Lieut.-Governor concerning who were confined to jail for offences against the Prohibition Act. Does the Lieut.-Governor quote his authority for his act? It may be stated that he is the representative of the crown and as such has the power. If he has power to pardon any other offence against the law of the land, the ease with which offenders against the Prohibition Act get out of jail has become a serious thing and if it is continued it may be necessary to find how far the Lieut. Governor's power extends in this matter. I am, Sir, etc.

Consistency Answered

Sir—"Consistency" has again rushed into print in an effort to prove that public teas are extravagant and wasteful. The only proof he adduces, is the example of certain prominent estimable individuals who have ceased to entertain their friends during war time. What is the value of such proof as this against the mathematical law of supply and demand, even if hundreds are fed at a public tea, provided they act as reasonable persons and do not gorge themselves? If what remains is carefully saved, where in the name of common sense is the waste of food? The fact is, it is now the duty of our friends to show where the waste of food is, or admit that he rushed prematurely into print, unjustly to condemn the churches and individuals for promoting food waste. The rest of our friend's letter is an absurd dissertation on loyalty standing by the boys at the front. I may say that our boys should be the first to tell us to avoid sham exhalations of mawkish sentimentality with which real men have no sympathy. I am, Sir, etc.

ANTI-HYPOCRISY

SHORTEST WILL ON RECORD

CROTON, N. Y., Oct. 31.—A decision has been rendered by the Surrogate's Court. It was learned today, upholding the will of Hiram Sarles, of Mount Kisco, said to be the shortest will ever written. Mr. Sarles disposed of his estate, estimated to be worth \$40,000, in a few lines, stating that he left everything he owned to his wife, Relatives being a contest before Surrogate Sawyer, of Westchester County, and asked for a construction of the brief document. The Surrogate has now ruled that Mrs. Sarles is entitled to all her husband's estate.

KILTIES' MASCOT GOES TO BOSTON

BOSTON, Oct. 31.—"Mac" the eight months old bear cub mascot of the 236th Canadian Battalion, the MacLean Kilties, is due to arrive here tonight. When the officers of the battalion learned that they would not be permitted to take "Mac" to France, they decided to present him to Mayor Curley. The cub was held up at the border for physical examination by a veterinary, but his release was promised to-day. He will be cared for at the Franklin Park Zoo.

DAILY SELECTIONS FOR GUARDIAN READERS

Furnished by W. S. Louson.

ALL'S WELL!

Is the pathway dark and dreary? God's in His heaven! Are you broken, heart-sick, weary? God's in His heaven! Driest roads shall have an ending Broken hearts are for God's mending. All's well! All's well! All's . . . well!

Is the burden past your bearing? God's in His heaven! Hopeless? Friendless?—No one caring? God's in His heaven! Burdens shared are light to carry. Love shall come through long He tarry. All's well! All's well! All's . . . well!

Is the light for ever falling? God's in His heaven! Is the faint heart ever quailing? God's in His heaven! God's strong arms are all around you. In the dark He sought and found you. All's well! All's well! All's . . . well!

Is the future black with sorrow? God's in His heaven! Do you dream each dark tomorrow? God's in His heaven! Nought can come without His Knowing. Come what may 'tis His bestowing. All's well! All's well! All's . . . well!

Peace and heaven lie all about us. God's in His heaven! Peace within makes heaven without us. God's in His heaven! God's great love shall fall us never. We are His, and His are we ever. All's well! All's well! All's . . . well!

Prime Minister the other day it is declared that "in pursuance of the Government's intention to abolish patronage both in respect of appointments to the public service and in the purchase of supplies there will hereafter be no patronage lists in any department of the Government." The declaration is made that the work of the War Purchasing Committee has been so satisfactory and effective that the Prime Minister has under consideration as a general purchasing commission for all the departments of the Government. During the past

WAR MENUS

How to Save Wheat, Beef and Bacon for the men at the front. Issued from the Office of the Food Controller for Canada.

MENU FOR SATURDAY

- Breakfast. Toast Marmalade Cocoa
- Dinner. Roast Pork Apple Sauce Baked Potatoes Mashed Turnips Lemon Jelly
- Tea. Banana Salad War Bread and Butter Strawberry Jam Cookies

The recipes for Banana Salad, mentioned above, is as follows: Banana Salad—Split bananas in two. Roll in salad dressing and sprinkle the top with chopped nuts. Serve on lettuce leaf.

MENU FOR MONDAY

- Breakfast. Oatmeal Porridge Milk Sugar Apple Jelly Coffee Toast
- Luncheon. Corn Chowder Baked Potatoes Baking Powder Graham Biscuits Tea Apple Sauce
- Dinner. Hamburg Steak Boiled Onions Mashed Potatoes Sliced Peaches

The recipes for Corn Chowder and Baking Powder Graham Biscuits, mentioned above are as follows—

- Corn Chowder—1 can corn 4 cups potatoes cut in cubes 1 onion sliced and cut into small cubes 4 cups milk or milk and vegetable water Salt and pepper.

Cook the onions, potatoes, and pork until done in as little water as possible to keep from burning. Drain and save the liquid. Make a thin white sauce using part milk and part this liquid drained off the vegetables with sufficient fat and a teaspoon of flour to each cup of milk. Add corn to the other vegetables, pour over this the White Sauce and cook five minutes.

- Baking Powder Graham Biscuits—1 1/2 cups Graham flour 1/2 cups white flour 3 teaspoons baking powder 1/2 teaspoon salt 4 tablespoons dripping 1 cup milk.

Rub the dripping into the dry ingredients, and wet all up with one cup of milk. Cook in a hot oven.

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