

# New Minister Of Health Is Named To Que. Cabinet

QUEBEC (CP)—A new health minister and a new minister without portfolio were appointed to the Quebec cabinet Wednesday by Premier Duplessis.

Dr. Arthur Leclerc of Murray Bay succeeds Dr. Albiny Paquette as health minister while Gerard Thibault, member of the Legislative Assembly for Montreal Mercier, becomes minister without portfolio.

The double nomination was announced by the premier during a regular meeting of his cabinet.

Dr. Leclerc, 47-year-old member of the legislature for Charlevoix, was minister without portfolio before being named to his new post.

One of the earliest supporters of Mr. Duplessis, Dr. Leclerc was first elected to the legislature in 1936. He was defeated in the 1939 election but regained his seat in 1944 and has been re-elected on every occasion since then. He was named minister without portfolio in 1952.

The health department, one of the most important in the provincial government, previously was headed by men from the Montreal area. Undoubtedly, Mr. Thibault was named minister without portfolio in order to maintain Montreal area representation in the cabinet.

Mr. Thibault, also one of the premier's earliest supporters, was elected to the assembly for the first time in 1936. He was defeated in 1939 and did not contest the 1944 election. He was re-elected in 1948 and since then has guarded Montreal Mercier riding for the Union Nationale party.

The 52-year-old Montreal businessman also served as parliamentary assistant to Trade Minister Paul Beaulieu and has been a Union Nationale party whip.

Following their nomination the two new ministers took their oaths in the office of Lieutenant-Governor Onesime Gagnon.

## RELIGION AND LIFE

BY VERY REV. GEORGE C. PIDGEON, D.D., LL.D.  
First Moderator of the United Church of Canada

### MAN NEED NOT BE WISE, RICH, GREAT

Last summer we had the privilege of visiting a summer home on one of the most beautiful points in Lake Muskoka. The lake surrounds it on three and one half sides, making it a peninsula that is almost an island. One tree in particular interested us. It grows on a rocky point, not an inch of soil within yards of it. It has found cracks in the rock through which its roots penetrate to the moisture below and found there substances to nourish its growth.

There it stands alone against every wind that blows in a region often swept by gales.

Not only does it withstand their pressure, but also it draws out of them elements which it assimilates for its own upbuilding.

That lone tree, seated on and rooted in the rock, reminded us of the men who stand alone for the unseen realities which they most firmly believe.

It reminded us of a man we knew and admired in boyhood.

He was hunter and farmer, sailor and fisherman, and master of any situation in which we found him. He seemed to delight in challenging the elements in a story clime, and making them serve his ends. He was also a man of strong religious convictions.

### TO HIM

Earlier in life, he had gone to work in a lumber camp somewhere in the United States. There everyone was expected to work on Sunday, but to him Sunday was the Lord's Day.

He had undertaken to do two men's work, for he was both carpenter and blacksmith, and he was told firmly that he could not

do the work unless he worked on Sunday.

This he would not do, and answered with this pledge—"If there is any sleigh or other part of your equipment of which I am responsible that is not ready when it is wanted I'll quit the job."

Through the week he worked long hours, and met every demand made on him, but Sunday he kept sacred and prospered in doing it.

Now it takes courage and strength to face the criticism and the mockery that greets such a stand, but when conscience is involved, what else is there to do? It is God's will against the world's opinions, and the Divine will is the ultimate authority for the man of God.

So often people feel that the tendencies of the time are irresistible. They seem to be mass move-

ments downward, and for an individual to take a stand against them is like King Canute trying to roll back the tide with a word.

As a matter of history, the only way to turn a general tendency upward is for an individual, immovable in his convictions, to resist it and command it to retire.

Nehemiah did this when the world stood against the proposal of the Jewish exiles to rebuild Jerusalem.

So did St. Paul at Antioch (Galatians 2); so did Chrysostom at the court of the queen; so did Luther at the Diet of Worms, so did Livingstone and Lincoln against slavery; so did John B. Gough against the liquor traffic which had almost destroyed him; so is doing many a youth

in our day who is determined to follow Christ win or lose.

**STAND ALONE**

But all this is negative. It is on the positive side that the person with an idea must stand alone. Shakespeare said: "There is a tide in the affairs of men which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune; Omitted, all the voyage of their life is bound in shallows and miseries."

Once we saw a man take a raft of logs over a gravel bar in a narrow channel. It had to be there at the exact moment for a half-hour too soon or too late nothing could be done. He had it in the right place at the

right time, and the tide did the rest.

So it is in "the affairs of men." Events come to a head at a certain moment. Napoleon is said to have felt that in battle, and when it came, he concentrated all his energies on the point before him, and victory was in his grasp.

In the greater movements of history everything depends on the right man being on hand when the crisis arises, and on his discernment and energy.

We have only to mention Winston Churchill for every observer to see that truth. But right down to family affairs the resourceful individual is the answer to every threat.

Here a truth still more important appears—in any crisis,

character is more significant than ability. What one's constitution is to his muscles, character is to his gifts.

The heart of a well-known athlete gave out, and the minister was called to see him. There he lay with his great muscles, but he couldn't even lift his head.

So it is with the man of brilliant intellect and weak moral character—he has ability, but neither the wisdom nor the grace to use it for his own good.

**TO WHAT END?**

But, given character and insight, it is the man who determines the direction any popular movement will take and the ends it will serve.

He need not be wise or rich or great when he has principles

## Score Plucked From Ice Island

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to live by and high ideals to realize in action. The facts that seem so hard are bent to the will of him who feels a divine purpose behind him and his opportunity.

the air force and civilian pilots to safety.

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LILLIAN M. DUCHEMIN,  
Secretary, P.E.I. Regional Committee,  
106 Edward Street, Charlottetown.

NOTE: Unless notices are received from at least three groups no Festival can be held in the P.E.I. Region in 1959.

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st AUGUST 1958

(Including Details of the Earned Surplus Account for the year ended 31st August 1958)

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
<b>CURRENT:</b>		<b>CURRENT:</b>	
Cash on hand and in banks	\$ 120,093.91	Bank loan	\$ 900,000.00
Accounts receivable	\$433,120.01	Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	151,437.56
Less: Provision for doubtful accounts	2,000.00	Dividend payable	37,500.00
	431,120.01	Deposits re production contracts	83,984.24
Inventories of matured and unmatured spirits, raw materials, manufacturing and other supplies, valued at the lower of cost or market	2,402,473.08	Taxes payable	161,546.22
	\$2,953,687.00	<b>RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCIES</b>	40,000.00
<b>CASH SURRENDER VALUE OF LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES</b>	9,763.94	<b>CAPITAL STOCK:</b>	
<b>PREPAID AND DEFERRED CHARGES:</b>		Authorized and issued—	
Unexpired insurance, taxes and other prepaid items	28,408.21	125,000 shares 6% cumulative participating preferred, par value \$10.00 each	1,250,000.00
Leasehold improvements, less amount amortized	27,123.32	62,500 shares common, no par value	250,000.00
	\$5,531.53		1,500,000.00
<b>FIXED</b>		<b>EARNED SURPLUS ACCOUNT:</b>	
Land, buildings, machinery and equipment, at depreciated replacement values as appraised by the Canadian Appraisal Company, Limited in December 1936, with subsequent additions at cost	2,625,101.42	Balance at credit, 1st September, 1957	1,187,447.30
Less: Accumulated depreciation	1,483,062.67	<b>Add:</b>	
	1,142,038.75	Net operating profit for the year ended 31st August, 1958 before taking up the items below	\$468,042.92
<b>TRADE MARKS, FORMULAE, PATENTS AND GOODWILL</b>	1.00	<b>Deduct:</b>	
		Provision for depreciation	\$ 91,936.02
		Provision for income taxes	189,500.00
			281,436.02
		<b>Net profit for the year ended 31st August 1958</b>	186,606.90
			1,374,054.20
		<b>Deduct:</b>	
		Dividends declared on the preferred shares—	
		Cumulative dividend of 60 cents per share in respect of the year ending 31st December 1958	75,000.00
		Non-cumulative dividend of 10 cents per share in respect of 1957	12,500.00
			87,500.00
		<b>Balance at credit, 31st August 1958</b>	1,286,554.20
		<b>NOTE:</b>	
		Federal Income Tax has been calculated on the basis of claiming maximum depreciation of \$125,613.10 allowed under the Federal Income Tax regulations.	\$4,161,022.22
Approved on behalf of the Board:	F. W. ROYCE	Directors:	\$4,161,022.22
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