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THE NATIONALISTS WIN

Hon. Albert Severyn, Sir Robert Borden's anti-navy, anti-British colleague, was won in Dorchester, and the St. John standard truly observes that the victory "will give a status and influence to the three young ministers, Severyn, Patenaude and Blondin, that they would not otherwise have obtained."

WAR REVELATIONS

At the Congress of Constructive Patriotism in Washington last week one of the speakers laid emphasis upon the changed spirit of the American people. He said: "He is the old optimism which made us rise and challenge the whole world to stand up for a licking."

STILL DOING NOTHING

The Toronto Star of Wednesday last said: "The general opinion of the 200 military officers who assembled at the Mining Building of the University of Toronto today, at one of the biggest recruiting conferences ever held in this military district, is that the Militia Act should be put in force, calling out the first-class, namely single men between the ages of eighteen and thirty, and widowers with out children, for service in Canada, and from which drafts could be obtained voluntarily for overseas reinforcements."

In applying the Militia Act, if we could not get enough men any other way, I have no hesitation in saying it would be better to apply the act so as to get them today. On the heels of these statements comes word that the government has no intention of putting the Militia Act in force. What, then, does the government propose to do? Men must be got. Canada promised 500,000 men. Sir Robert Borden says that we have enlisted 300,000 men, but this number includes all who were kept in the ranks for a time and then discharged, and the number so discharged, as everybody knows, has been very large.

The comments of the French press on President Wilson's peace note are delightful in their tone of polite raillery. For example, the Echo de Paris says: "The declaration moves in the serene domain. Our friends across the Atlantic, imagining our country invaded and bleeding, must feel, will understand, it is impossible for us to join unreservedly in this voyage into the azure."

There was a good response last night to the eloquent address of Mr. H. J. Logan and the stirring appeal of Lieut. Morton at the great meeting in the Imperial. The nine recruits for the railway construction battalion should be followed by many others who for one reason or another were declared unfit to enlist for trench warfare. The 257th should fill up rapidly.

The week opens with good news from all the fighting fronts. British, French and Russian have all gained some success, and the Teutonic forces have gained no compensating advantage at any point. Severe winter weather impedes operations everywhere, but the steady and deadly pressure continues to weaken the Central Powers.

The call from the trenches ought to be heard by thousands of men in Canada who are fit and free to go, but have not yet donned the khaki. Their country needs them—and needs them now.

Mr. Gatluis asked for twenty volunteer train crews for France, and was offered forty. That's the spirit that wins the war.

Well—what is the National Service campaign doing for Canada and the Empire? Where are the fruits?

IS TORONTO MAN

Major G. W. Marriott, chief discharge officer in Canada, with headquarters in Quebec, Halifax and St. John, is a Toronto man. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Marriott. He has seen twenty years' active service in the Canadian militia. When war broke out he enlisted from Edmonton with the 9th Battalion, and later went to France with the 3rd battalion. In 1915 he was recalled to England for the purpose of organizing and opening a Canadian discharge depot. On the completion of these duties he was again sent overseas, and was wounded at the Somme.

A C. P. R. Drive and Dinner. A total of fifty-seven of the C. P. R. staff attended a drive and dinner at the Ben Lomond House on Saturday night. Following the dinner a programme of songs and recitations were carried out. W. S. Branscombe acted as chairman. Speeches were given by H. C. Groat, D. H. Ryan, N. R. Desbriay, Mulkins, A. C. Fraser, W. B. Brown, H. Catlow, J. O'Neil, A. S. Hawker and F. W. Branscombe. Others who took part in the programme were Gordon Stevens, D. Arnold Fox, H. L. Lindsay, F. T. Macaul, W. H. C. Mackay, G. B. Burke, G. Ruckie, A. A. White, C. D. Strong, A. L. Gibbs, J. McGowan, H. A. Brennan, J. E. Green, D. L. Heneberry and A. E. Palmer.

THE IRISH SEA.

(Rev. James B. Dillard in Toronto Globe.) Bright sea and volatile, that summer's wind Can stir to fury, strange sights hasten from sea Since those past ages when thy billows green Tossed the wild Vikings on their forays blind.

LIGHTER VEIN.

What Shakespeare Did. In Stratford, during one of the Shakespeare jubilees, an American tourist approached an aged villager in a smock, and said: "Who is this chap Shakespeare, anyway?" "He were a writer, sir."

His Begging Letter.

Post—There goes a notorious and confirmed begging letter writer. Friend—What! Why, La thought that chap was an editor. Post—Well, he has written me at least a dozen letters begging me not to send him any more of my stuff.

Disgusted Diner.

I'll never have another meal in this restaurant! The meat's high and they've diluted the whiskey.

Clergyman—Ahem!

How true it is the flesh is strong but the spirit is weak.

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SEVIGNY ELECTED; HIS MAJORITY CUT; SOME OTTAWA COMMENT

Montreal, Jan. 28.—Hon. Albert Severyn (Conservative-Nationalist) defeated Lucien Cannon in the by-election in Dorchester county on Saturday by 276 majority.

Ottawa, Jan. 28.—(Special)—Whether Mr. Severyn's win in Dorchester yesterday was really a victory or a defeat is what members of parliament on both sides of politics are now trying to figure out. There is not nearly so much jubilation in the Conservative camp over the news of yesterday's by-election as might be expected. Nor is there any apparent depression in the Liberal camp.

It is the three Nationalist ministers, Messieurs Blondin, Patenaude and Severyn who have won, and whose re-entry into the commons tomorrow or Tuesday bearing another Liberal seal will have to be cheered by the Conservative ranks. It is feared that Sir Robert Borden will now still continue to daily with the Quebec Nationalists, hoping to save some seats for the party in the province at the next election. Conservative members here today frankly admit that they fear the game of trying to ride two horses traveling in divergent directions, will be continued, and Premier Borden will come a cropper between them.

On the Liberal side there is satisfaction in the knowledge that the campaign has shown to the whole of Canada the

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Irreconcilable cleavage between Liberalism and Nationalism in Quebec. The fight carried on in Dorchester will be continued and won at the next general election. It is pointed out that a federal cabinet minister, with all the money, power and patronage of the government behind him, with the active campaign assistance of two other cabinet ministers and a score of members of parliament, with money and liquor lavishly distributed, has been returned with a majority severely cut down from what it was in 1911. Furthermore, the constituency is normally Conservative. It was won by a Liberal in 1908, but prior to that, with one exception, it has always returned Conservatives by majorities of more than 800.

Stories which are being brought back from the constituency by returning members of parliament who took part in the fight, are illuminating. Apparently post offices were promised for every cross-road by the government campaign. An experimental farm and a municipal plant and jobs for all were other bails. Hon. Albert Severyn will have an even harder job fulfilling the promises he made, or which were made for him, this time than he had in fulfilling his pledges of 1911.

Certainly Used at Table. On the menu card of a big hotel in New York the following notice is printed: "Articles brought into the hotel and used at the table will be charged for as though furnished by the house."

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HON. MARTIN B. RIELL'S APPEAL TO THE FARMER (Agricultural Gazette, January) For two years and a half war, red and ruinous, has raged through the world and still no decision has been reached. There is reason to hope that before 1917 closes

the struggle for liberty will have been won, or greatly advanced. Amid the varying phases of this titanic conflict the fact stands out more clearly than ever that agriculture is of supreme importance. Extraordinary measures are being taken by the allied countries to increase and encourage production. It is earnestly hoped that every farmer in Canada will strive to increase the food supply of the empire. A still powerful and unscrupulous enemy openly avows its intention to try to sink all ships carrying supplies to England during the coming year. In the tremendous strain yet to come a vital factor will be an ample and unflinching flow of food to England and France. No matter what difficulties may face us, the supreme duty of every man on the land is to use every thought and every energy in the direction of producing more, and still more. The Bishop's Choice. The late Bishop of London was once ordered by his physicians to spend the winter in Algiers. The bishop said it was impossible, he had so many engagements. "Well, my lord bishop," said the specialist, "it either means Algiers or Heaven." "In that case," said the bishop, "I'll go to Algiers."