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HON. F. B. CARVELL.

It is worth noting that the selection of Hon. F. B. Carvell as a representative of New Brunswick Liberals in the new Federal government meets with very warm approval in every quarter. Mr. Carvell, in his active career in Parliament, has not been sparing of sharp criticism of acts of which he did not approve, but the Conservative press does not hesitate to pay a tribute to his ability and his industry, and welcome him to the cabinet position which he will occupy and to which he will do credit. The member for Carlton county has served three terms in Parliament. He was first elected in 1904, and very soon won a prominent position in the chamber. When the late Hon. H. B. Emerson retired from government in 1907, Mr. Carvell was put forward by many leading Liberals for cabinet rank, which he had earned, but he did not receive promotion from the ranks. That fact did not affect his devotion to his party however, and he continued a valiant fighter to the present day. His selection now for cabinet position is time's vindication of those Liberals who strongly urged his selection in 1907.—Globe.

Canada and the United States probably will be able to provide for the Allies' requirements of cereals other than wheat, during the next twelve months.

The Allied people themselves have been economizing with wheat and wheat flour. As Lord Northcliffe said in Montreal, "There is no such thing as white bread in the Old Country, from the King's table downwards." Other cereals are being used but they cannot be used alone for bread. The Allies must add them to wheat flour to make the bread now in universal use in European countries. Except in Italy, where the people normally consume much corn; there are few corn mills in Europe. Cornmeal, not being a duplicate commodity, cannot be shipped across the ocean in great quantities.

The Allies must have a wheat basis for their war loaf. Unless the people of Canada and the United States are willing to substitute other cereals for part of the wheat flour which they normally consume, they will be denying even war bread to many thousands of people. Substitution of at least one pound of other cereals for one pound of wheat flour weekly, per person, would save a very large quantity of wheat for export. It would still be far short of meeting the normal consumption requirements of the Allies but it would save the situation.

MILITARY SERVICE ACT.

St. John, N. B., 15th Oct., 1917.
To the Editor of the Globe:

Sir,—There seems to be some misapprehension on the part of men liable to report for service or claim exemption under the Military Service Act. I have been informed that a number of men think that when they go before the Medical Board and pass the medical examination they are registered.

For the information of any such people, I should like to say that registration must be effected at one of the Post Offices. If a man has been medically examined he should attach his Medical History Sheet to his report for Service or Claim for Exemption, and leave it with the Postmaster, who will transmit it to me. In every case of a Report for Service or Claim for Exemption a man must be medically examined. Therefore, if a Medical Board classifies a man as unfit for service, his name still claims exemption from military service.

I will kindly place this before you, and will greatly oblige you, truly,
F. B. Carvell,
Minister of Militia and Defence.

SHORT SKETCH OF MR. PRITCHARD'S LIFE

Was Born in Wales, Where He Received Early Education. A Keen Sportsman.

The late Mr. Erasmus Barnesley Price Pritchard was born at Crickhowell, Breconshire, Wales, England, June 14th, 1840 and commenced his education at St. David's College, Brecon, Breconshire.

In 1856 he entered Christ's Hospital (Blue Coat School), London, leaving there in 1858. From 1857 to 1859 he was a student at the Independent College, Brecon, Breconshire. From 1860 to 1862 studied under Professor Allen in Saint John's Wood, London, for the Civil Service. He obtained an appointment through Sir George Cornwall Lewis, Home Secretary. Not liking the surroundings he returned to his uncle, Mr. Erasmus Barnesley Price, Manager of the Kingston and Radnorshire Bank, taking up his sporting career having the privilege of shooting over three manors "Hargest," "Rushock" and "Bradnor" and thousands of acres on adjoining farms.

Removing from the bank owing to the illness of his uncle, he took up his residence at "Summer Court," Lyonsall, Herefordshire, taking great interest as a pleasure, in horticulture, building a garden wall on which were trained, by his gardener some of the finest peach, cherry and nectarine trees in the country, always having won many first prizes at the exhibitions. On the lawns grew seventy kinds of roses.

On the death of his uncle he bought the Noyad estate, Llangorse Breconshire the residence containing valuable oak carvings and stained glass windows, the dining-room mantle being eight feet in height containing twenty seven coats of arms. It was removed from the Temple Church, London, after the great fire of London in 1666. There were two distinct marks caused by the fire on the inscription. "God Will Provide," dated 1550. Drawing room mantle in the time of King Charles II., dated 1666. Library mantle representing "Moses in the Wilderness," dated 1490. Window, "St. George and the Dragon," dated 1552. Drawing-room windows 1611-1772.

Mr. Pritchard was an enthusiastic angler being a member of the Uak Salmon Club and enjoyed the fishing on the private waters of the Duke of Beaufort. Lord Glamauk.

In 1888 he sailed from Liverpool to Chile, South America, where he remained five and one half years, during the revolution, returning to Hereford, England, in 1893. In 1894 he sailed to Halifax, Canada, being lured by the noted Restigouche River, afterwards buying the "Parker Lake" property of twelve hundred acres, near Campbellton, New Brunswick, where he spent the evening of his days.

Mr. Pritchard was the only child of Samuel Pritchard of "Buckley Place," Brecon, Breconshire formerly chaplain to Lord Robert Seymour.

In 1870 he married Sarah Anne, daughter of James Pearson, of Mansel Gammage, Hereford. He leaves to mourn their loss, a wife and six children, Capt. Barnesley Pritchard of Montreal, James of Summerside, P. E. I., Samuel and William of Camrose, Alberta, Henry and Margarita at home. The remains were laid to rest in the private cemetery on Oct. 6th, 1917.—Cor.

Important staff officer (on urgent business)—Why have you stopped? There's a clear road.

Chaffee—There's such a dear little cat in the way, sir.

LARGEST MOOSE HEAD ON RECORD.

Found in Gloucester—Law Examinations.

Fredericton, Oct. 16.—The record moosehead taken in the province of New Brunswick was taken a few days ago near Bathurst Lake by L. A. Russell of Tracadie, Gloucester Co., word to that effect being brought to Fredericton today by Charles Bennett, the guide near whose camp the animal was killed. The spread of horns is 72 inches, being the widest spread previously recorded by 21-2 inches. The head is expected to arrive here this evening to be mounted by a local taxidermist. Dr. W. L. Munro of Fredericton, N. E. held the record for getting the largest spread of horns in New Brunswick until the kill of Mr. Russell. The spread was 68 1-2 inches.

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GADSBY'S LETTER

OW THAT A WA, Oct. 18. Premier Borden is calling it fusion government. The cynical bystander, whose name is legion at the capital, labels it confusion. At all events Premier Borden's well meant efforts to be born again, as it were, have not caused his more or less faithful followers to let up in their wild scurry for cover. Nobody knows just how hard it is going to rain.

Within the past fortnight since Parliament prorogued five Conservative members of Parliament have been provided with safe berths in the Ottawa River—largely an ornamental office, but Mr. Brabson has to make way for the new "fusion" members of the Government. The Hon. Thomas Duggan, who is defeated by William Sloane, finds a safe harbor as inspector of dredging in British Columbia. Dr. Roche, Minister of the Interior, gets a life insurance of six thousand dollars a year as chairman of the civil service commission, vice Dr. Adam Shortt, the capable and non-partisan chairman, who is shifted to the board of historical documents—a very dusty pigeon-hole for the brilliant and public-spirited doctor.

In addition to Dr. Roche five other cabinet ministers must be provided for to make way for the new "fusion" members of the Government. Sir George Perley is looked as likely to be made minister of the Interior, where his aspirations to crown his career as a member of the realm will be doubtfully cultivated. His place as cabinet minister without portfolio—the position he occupied before he was appointed to the Senate—will be given to the Hon. Pringle Denison, who expressed a desire to be rid of the hardships of an election contest and to devote his time to the study of the history of the House of Commons.

The Hon. Martin Burrell, who finds the social life of Ottawa very attractive, will be given a berth at the capital—something that will not take him away from the "range" and the "big game"—probably the clerkship of the House of Commons, where he will carry with it five thousand dollars a year and as much ease and dignity as Mr. Burrell likes. Rumor assigns a position of Overseas Minister of Militia to Sir James Loughheed, whose title and wealth ought to do well in the English climate.

There are ten vacancies in the Senate, five of which are as yet unfilled now. Messrs. Bradbury, Scannell, R. B. Bennett, and W. H. Bennett, and Bennett being the names mentioned. Those with the seats in the Senate recently handed out to Messrs. Macdonald, R. B. Bennett, and Mr. Macdonald, who will make eight Conservative M. P.'s who have been lifted out of danger into the serene atmosphere of the Upper Chamber. Incidentally rumor is busy with the name of Hon. Bob Rogers as a prospective Senator. The Hon. Bob would have his troubles in being elected in Winnipeg again, and it is said would be satisfied now with a seat in the Senate, his time for grabbing something being over. Those two leaders of thought in Quebec, Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir Lomer Gouin, have told their people that since conscription is the law of the land, it is their duty to obey. Cases by his consistent attitude of compliance with the law once it has become law.

Since everybody in Canada is agreed that winning the war is the first duty, and since there was really never any difference on that point between the two camps, it is not surprising that the war was so won that some say the law was to be won that some say the law was to be won.

Speculators are watching China for metal and the resultant shortage of brass copper coins threatens to become acute. Old cannon and other similar materials are being bought up and Japanese speculators have offered the Government at Canton \$1,500,000 local currency for a lot of discarded artillery. Exports of copper in 1916 from China amounted to \$7,500 tons, against 3,000 tons the year before.

be regarded as settled. The paramount factor in the near future election will be the high cost of living—best embodied in Sir Joseph Flavel's fifty cent biscuit, which can be purchased in the United States for thirty-eight cents. Sir Joseph is the victim of that system of pillage by which the food profiteers have sucked Canada like an orange—with no let or hindrance from the Borden Government. Sir Joseph presents in his person the sinister and powerful influence behind the Borden Government. By their connivance he moves, breathes, and has his being. They do nothing to stop him. It was on the O. K. of his deputy, Sir Thomas White, that Sir Joseph was appointed Chairman of the Imperial Borden Board, and it is with the Borden Government's connivance that he comes to hold this important post. A word from the Borden Government to the British War Office would lead to Sir Joseph's resignation in forty-eight hours.

Food Controller Hanna is a Borden Government blunder. He puts the high cost of living to the thousands of little middlemen scattered all over Canada. Everybody knows that the small grocer and butcher exist by sufferance of the big fellows, who make the prices and allow the little fellow just enough margin to get along on. Sir Joseph Flavel doesn't even allow that. He has his chain of retail stores and takes the little middleman's profit and the big middleman's profit. Things work together for Sir Joseph. If the Borden Government would only use Sir Joseph's brains, the heads he might be able to get at the big fellows. Go to the warehouse in the way to scotch the high cost of living. The millers, for example—privately Food Controller Hanna knows that the current price of flour is \$1.00. The current price of flour is based on the current price of wheat, and wheat has been a rising market ever since the war started. The real price of flour made from wheat purchased two and three years ago should be based on the price of wheat at the time it was bought.

—H.F.G.

The Mysterious "Willie."

During the summer of 1916 an enemy agent trying to tap the wires in England might have been mystified to pick up some such message as: "Twelve Willies reach you tonight, or 'The tails for six females.' " "Willie," a pet cognomen adopted as suitable for the telephone and other means of communication, was suggested by the fact that the first experimental "Land-line" completed through equally malevolent, was smaller and less powerful for evil than its immediate successor—eventually the type adopted. When the two creatures were together they gave the Indian impression of being child and parent of a monstrous and evil brood. Hence, naturally, "Little Willie" and "Big Willie." The "Big Willie" were also somewhat logically classified as males and females, according to their armaments. Incidentally, to help to conceal the destination of the Tanks at the stage when any illusion as to their purpose was precluded, they were painted to resemble the inscription "With care. To Petrograd," in large Russian characters.—World's Work.

Paris in Wartime. On a day which saw from 500 to 600 shells fall on the Paris suburb of Reims, a cinema film was taken by a French staff officer of one of the schools in the sheltered area. Four pictures, respectively, showed the children playing, putting on their caps, mums, after receiving warning, and descending into the shelter. In the fifth and sixth the children were being home by their teachers after a violent bombardment. Such an educational record is not to be found in any other country.

Australia Snakes. Australia is said to have about one hundred species of snakes, three-fourths of them venomous. The big pythons and rocksnakes are harmless, but as one travels from the tropics southward the dangerous varieties increase in number, and in Tasmania all are venomous, though only five are really deadly, and fortunately these are rarely seen. The continent is also abundantly supplied with lizards. Three hundred and ninety species are recorded, and they may be seen not only in woods and prairies and deserts, in the water, among rocks, and in trees, but also in the less frequented city streets.

Metals Are Waxed. Speculators are watching China for metal and the resultant shortage of brass copper coins threatens to become acute. Old cannon and other similar materials are being bought up and Japanese speculators have offered the Government at Canton \$1,500,000 local currency for a lot of discarded artillery. Exports of copper in 1916 from China amounted to \$7,500 tons, against 3,000 tons the year before.

Typists in Mexico. The Mexican Department of Public Health in a recent bulletin says the scourge of typhus throughout the Republic has diminished 50 per cent, and smallpox is being successfully combated by widespread vaccination. Almost the entire army has been vaccinated, so have the school children and recruits of prisoners.

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