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Unknown Quantities Likely To Wield Influence in British Election

By Arthur S. Draper.

(Special cable to the N. Y. Tribune and the St. John Standard.)

London, Nov. 22.—The war election campaign began this morning, when a number of members of parliament left London to open the campaign in the outlying districts, lamenting the absence of the usual railroad facilities. Although coalition so far has swept all before it, in the direction of selection of candidates, through the usual caucuses, there is still fear among the most firmly seated members regarding the opposition of the local candidates, as well as the unknown viewpoint of the women.

The attitude of the army only a fraction of which will probably be able to vote, seems quite apathetic, at the present moment, and likely to remain so, until its return, but an overwhelming majority is inclined to follow Lloyd George blindly in this election, and all signs point out that the new women voters are doing the same.

The most incalulable feature in the struggle seems to be in the position of the industrial population in the North of England, and the South of Wales, but the present disinclination of the labor leaders to take bold lines is likely to neutralize the anti-coalition feeling existing.

NOTHING DONE AS YET ABOUT VALLEY ROAD

Premier Foster and Mr. E. S. Carter Urging Claims of Province on the Government—Not Settled Yet.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Nov. 22.—The Dominion government is not elated over the prospect of having the Valley Railway left upon its door step. When Premier Foster and his colleagues arrived here this week, it was stated that part of their mission was to induce the federal authorities to take over the road and in certain quarters confidence was expressed in their ability to carry out the plan. The matter, however, has not been as easy to dispose of as some seem to have been led to expect, and the Standard correspondent is able to state authoritatively that thus far the government has not even as much as considered Premier Foster's proposals.

The Ottawa Citizen has been strongly urging the government to not take over the road until it has made a full investigation into all its affairs.

This morning Mr. E. S. Carter, who is here with Mr. Foster, has a long letter in the Citizen dealing with the history of the road and making out a case why the province should be relieved of it.

The government, however, is not impressed one way or the other. If it takes over the road at all, and the probabilities are that, in due time it will, it will be because such a thing is in the interest of the Canadian railway transportation. No hasty action in the matter, however, need be expected.

BELIEVE ALLIES WILL KEEP SHIPS

Daily Mail Thinks They Will Never be Returned to Germany—Two Are Still to be Surrendered.

London, Nov. 22.—The German battleship Koenig and the battle cruiser Mackensen, which, although scheduled for surrender Thursday, were permitted to be absent, are being disarmed under the supervision of Vice-Admiral Browning, of the British Navy, who was sent to Germany for that purpose, accordin to the correspondent of the Daily Mail with the British fleet. The Koenig has been in dock and could not be moved, while the Mackensen had not been completed.

Some naval men, the Daily Mail correspondent adds, reject the idea that the surrendered German ships will ever be returned to Germany. They believe they will be divided among the Allies, including the United States.

OFFICERS FOR EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Were Elected at the Meeting in Ottawa Yesterday Forenoon.

DR. W. S. CARTER FOR NEW BRUNSWICK

He Presided at Friday's Gathering and Displayed Medal Awarded to Maj. Hamilton

TECHNICAL GRANT IS STILL IN THE AIR

Although a Resolution Has Been Passed Urging Government Aid, No Further Action Has Been Taken.

Ottawa, Nov. 22.—Among the officers elected by the Dominion Educational Association in annual convention here this morning were the following from Quebec and the Maritime Provinces:

Honorary Presidents—The ministers of education for the provinces: Quebec, Hon. C. De Large; New Brunswick, Hon. Dr. W. S. Carter; Prince Edward Island, H. H. Shaw.

Directors—Dr. J. S. Parmelee, Dr. E. Meleur, Quebec; J. Peacock, New Brunswick; Dr. David Sloan, Dr. W. Scott, and Dr. A. M. Scott, Nova Scotia; Colonel R. H. Campbell, Prince Edward Island.

Dr. W. S. Carter presided over this morning's session, and during a lull in the proceedings of the business, showed a handsome medal, the Belgium Victoria Cross, which had been bestowed by the Belgian government upon one of their number, Major W. H. Hamilton, inspector of schools for Fort William, who had won the honor and appreciation of the Belgian people by his devotion and efforts in teaching the science of agriculture during his stay in their country.

A resolution which had been carried to send a delegation to interview the government for a grant of twenty million for the furtherance of technical education in the Dominion, is still in resolution form.

ENTIRE FAMILY WERE SUFFOCATED BY GAS

Quebec, Nov. 22.—Gas escaping from a coal burning furnace, caused the partial asphyxiation of an entire family living on Cartier Ave., named Clermont. They awoke very ill and a doctor called in said they had been poisoned by gas escaping from the furnace. All will recover.

MONCTON FEELS EXCITED OVER RAILWAY MOVE

People Want to Know What All These Changes in Management Mean.

FEARED CITY MAY BE ADVERSELY AFFECTED

But There is Not the Slightest Cause for Any Alarm on This Score.

HON. MR. CARVELL TELLS THE STANDARD

A Few of the Executive Officers Are Being Transferred, But Work Will go on as Before and the Shops Remain Open.

Special to The Standard.

Moncton, Nov. 22.—The city council is showing some anxiety in regard to the recent change in the C. G. R. management. At a meeting tonight it was decided by unanimous resolution to wire Hon. F. B. Carvell, Minister of Public Works, requesting further information on the change of management and also if it is proposed to transfer any more of the heads of the departments and their staffs from Moncton under the new arrangement. The Board of Trade is also asked to co-operate in ascertaining the extent of the possible transfer of officials in order to relieve the anxiety created by the recent important change. Since Mr. Hayes' transfer from general manager to general traffic manager with offices at Toronto, rumors have been rife as to contemplated changes affecting Moncton more particularly, but in local official circles nothing of an authentic nature can be ascertained, the officials here being apparently as much in the dark as those outside of the service.

Ottawa, Nov. 22.—In conversation with The Standard tonight Hon. Mr. Carvell said that he did not expect the removal of the Government Railway headquarters to Toronto would greatly affect Moncton as a railway centre. A few of the leading executive officers, of course, would have to be removed but a great deal of the administrative work would remain while the shops would go on as before.

SAY EMPEROR HAS NOT ABDICATED

London Mail Declares No Proof Exists That He Has Given up His Claim to the Throne.

London, Nov. 22.—"The Berlin government," according to the Daily Mail, "has not made any communication to the Allies or the United States notifying us of Emperor William's abdication. We think it almost certain that if the abdication occurred, notification would have been sent.

"No abdication document bearing the Kaiser's signature is in existence as far as the outside world knows—nothing but the perfunctory statement of Prince Maximilian, in which he used the words 'thron verzicht,' meaning renunciation of the throne and not the word 'abdankung,' meaning abdication. Wilhelm therefore undoubtedly still regards the throne as his, and the world must contemplate the probability that he expects to return.

"While Holland cannot doubt that the Allies do not relish her affording him asylum, there has not been as yet any joint effort, of the associated governments to extradite him."

NEW PIER ON FIRE AT BALTIMORE

Million Dollar Structure Caught and Flames Spread to Standard Oil Vessel and Plant.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 22.—Fire, which broke out on the new $1,000,000 pier being constructed at Canton Wharf, this afternoon spread almost immediately to the Standard Oil Company's ship, F. Q. Barstow, which brought a cargo of 75,000 barrels of gasoline to this port today.

Within five minutes the flames had spread to the adjoining wharves, and hundreds of barrels of gasoline stored in the vicinity were exploding. Several tanks of the oil company caught fire, but the flames were checked in them to some extent.

At four o'clock the fire was reported to be under control.

Ottawa, Nov. 22.—The Grand Trunk Railway Company gives notice in the Canada Gazette that it will apply to parliament for an act authorizing the creation and issue, for the general purposes of the company of additional Grand Trunk consolidated debenture stock, bearing interest at four per cent. to an aggregate amount, the annual interests upon which shall not exceed £100,000.

Food Controller of Britain Retires

London, Nov. 22.—John R. Clynes the British food controller, it is understood has resigned.

John Robert Clynes has been British food controller since the death of Viscount Rhondda last July. Mr. Clynes is a laborite and has represented Manchester, Northeast, in parliament since 1906. He has played an important parti n the affairs of the Allied food council, which has general supervision of food supplies for the Allied and neutral countries.

WM. G. McADOO HAS RESIGNED HIS MANY JOBS

Feels That His Family and His Private Life Should Now Receive Attention.

DOES NOT COMPLAIN MUCH OF OVERWORK

Will Give up Railroad Directorship on the First of the Year at Latest.

WILSON ACCEPTS THE RESIGNATION

And Promises to Relieve Him from His Onerous Duties Just as Promptly as Possible.

Washington, Nov. 22.—William G. McAdoo has resigned office as secretary of the treasury and director general of railroads to leave the treasury on the appointment of a successor, and the railroad administration on January 1st next. It was announced tonight that he had asked President Wilson to relieve him now that the war is over, so that he might return to private business after six years in office.

President Wilson has acceded to Mr. McAdoo's request, and accepted his resignation. Retirement was made necessary, Mr. McAdoo said, because of "inadequate compensation" allowed cabinet officers.

The secretary plans to take about three months rest, and then may resume the practice of law in New York.

Mr. McAdoo announced his resignation at a conference with newspaper correspondents and made public correspondence between himself and President Wilson. The President in his letter of acceptance expressed regret at the secretary's resignation, referring particularly to Mr. McAdoo's distinguished, disinterested, and altogether admirable service rendered the country in both posts. Mr. McAdoo explained to the correspondents that he had intended to resign before March 4th, 1917, but remained because of pressing war problems. As yet there is no suggestion of whom Mr. McAdoo's successor may be, either as secretary of the treasury or as director general.

Mr. McAdoo's letter of resignation, dated November 14, follows:

"Dear Mr. President—Now that an armistice has been signed and peace is assured, I feel at liberty to advise you of my desire to return, as soon as possible, to private life.

"I have been conscious for some time of the necessity for this step, but, of course, I could not consider it while the country was at war.

"For almost six years I have worked incessantly under the pressure of great responsibilities. Their exactions have drawn heavily on my strength. The inadequate compensation allowed by law to cabinet officers (as you know I receive no compensation as director general of railroads) and the very burdensome cost of living in Washington, have so depleted my per-

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Cecil Retires as Secretary of State

London, Nov. 22.—Lord Robert Cecil, under secretary of state for foreign affairs, has resigned. The cause of Lord Robert's resignation is declared to be a disagreement with the government in regard to the disestablishment of the Welsh Church. Premier Lloyd George has accepted the resignation.

Lord Robert Cecil, third son of the late Marquis of Salisbury, former British premier, has played important parts in the British government in various capacities since May, 1915, when he was appointed parliamentary under-secretary for foreign affairs. Some months later Lord Robert was made minister of war trade and minister of blockade. In that office he was the official mouthpiece of the government on all matters connected with blockade and trade. In July he relinquished the post of minister of blockade but continued at his post in the foreign office. He is a Conservative and sits in parliament for the Hitchin Division of Herefordshire.

ALL SO GREEDY THAT NOW THEY GET NOTHING

Provincial Raid on Federal Treasury Repulsed With Heavy Losses.

EAST AND WEST COULD NOT AGREE

Everybody Wanted so Much That the Government Was Staggered by the Thought.

SOME RELIEF IS STILL IN SIGHT

For Ottawa is Arranging to Help With Technical Education and Will Also Contribute to Highway Work.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Nov. 22.—Any hope Premier Foster and his colleagues may have had of scooping a fat subsidy for New Brunswick out of the inter-Provincial conference, was blasted after the provinces had hopelessly failed to agree among themselves regarding terms upon which the west should be handed over its natural resources. The whole proposition had to be abandoned and now stands as before.

When the conference first met the Federal Government proposed to turn over to the western provinces all lands and minerals, the Dominion merely reserving certain coal and oil areas, water power rights, and parks and forestry reserves. The western provinces agreed to this on condition that they be allowed to retain the present annual subsidy they receive in lieu of lands.

New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Quebec and Ontario at once objected, declaring that if the western provinces were to be given a subsidy and their natural resources as well, they, too, were entitled to a similar subsidy upon a basis of population. This would have amounted to something like seven or eight million dollars annually, and New Brunswick's share would have been in the vicinity of nine hundred thousand dollars per year.

Under existing financial conditions this was staggering enough, but the provinces were not even prepared to stop there. The western provinces countered with additional demands, so much so that a deadlock was arrived at and the Federal Government under the circumstances had no alternative but to continue the present arrangement. By over-reaching themselves in their demands the provinces failed to get anything.

It is likely, however, that New Brunswick, in common with the other provinces will come in for a measure of Federal aid for the promotion of technical education. The matter was discussed by the conference and while no definite decision was reached, theer seemed to be a general agreement that a Federal grant should be made to all the provinces to aid institutions engaged in technical education. The provinces will also as a result of the conference, share in Federal aid for the construction of highways. It was felt that as a means of providing employment during the coming year or two all of the provinces should embark upon a program of road-building, the Federal treasury contributing liberally toward the scheme upon a population basis.

LOUNSBURY CO. ENTERING MONCTON

Secure Valuable Building Site on Main Street and Will Commence Erection of Warehouse at Once.

Special to The Standard.

Moncton, Nov. 22.—An important real estate deal was concluded today when C. C. Hayward, general manager of the Lounsbury Co., of Newcastle, purchased for his company the old Record property situated on Main street, opposite the Sumner Co. The property has been secured by the Lounsbury Company for the construction of an up-to-date brick and concrete building to be devoted principally to their automobile and tractor business. The land purchased has a frontage of sixty feet on Main street, with a depth of four hundred feet extending to the C. G. R. wharf track, and is one of the few building sites remaining in the business section of Main street. Mr. Hayward expects to commence the construction of a large building at once.

JUDGE WILKINSON'S FUNERAL ON SUNDAY

Chatham, N.B., Nov. 22.—Judge Wilkinson will be buried on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock in St. Paul's cemetery at Chatham Head. The judge was one of the richest men in Northern New Brunswick, and did not belong to any fraternal order.

There were two houses yesterday, and one today, placed under quarantine, making twenty-four houses in all.

Short morning services will be permitted Sunday School and other public gatherings under the ban for another week at least.

Growing Feeling in England Against Feeding Germany At All

By Arthur S. Draper.

(Special cable to the N. Y. Tribune and the St. John Standard.)

London, Nov. 22.—American food administrator Hoover is expected to arrive Saturday morning and probably will go straight to Paris to confer with Colonel House.

Some apprehension exists, which perhaps is based on imperfect information, concerning Hoover's visit in official quarters.

On the one hand the president's statement placing the feeding of Belgium and Germany on practically the same basis provoked strong criticism here, while on the other hand there is a terrific hourly growing feeling against feeding the Germans at all. This feeling is enhanced both by the news of the British casualties, and the treatment of the prisoners.

It is fully realized that although Britain commands shipping, America controls the finance, nevertheless, it is hoped the United States of America will agree to throw in her lot entirely with the inter-Allied food policy, dropping all thought of isolated action and pool everything to feed the Allies and the neutrals.

These considerations will be urged on Hoover, when the food council meets in London next week.

DOMINION PLAN EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES NOW

All Provinces Are Formed Into One United Organization.

OTTAWA AND WINNIPEG CENTRES

Plan to Arrange Things so That Available Labor Will Always be on Hand.

AVOID SCARCITY AND ALSO SURPLUS

Matters of Detail Have Been Settled—Returning Soldiers Will Receive Attention—Provinces Co-operate.

Ottawa, Nov. 22.—Satisfactory progress towards the establishment of a national system of employment agencies, controlled by Dominion and Provincial authorities, was made at the conference between the Minister of Labor and representatives from the provinces, which was continued today. The conclusion of the provincial premiers' conference at noon left Hon. Gideon Robertson, Minister of Labor, free to preside at the conference on unemployment in the afternoon, and the minister was assured by provincial representatives from east and west of their hearty co-operation and desire to develop the scheme.

The plan again agreed upon, with regard to the establishment of agencies, will result in the organization of two large employment clearing houses, controlled by the federal government, one in the east and one in the west. Ottawa and Winnipeg have been chosen as the cities in which these clearing houses will be located.

The duty of these agencies will be to maintain the balance of labor in the various provinces, so that one province will not have a deficit at the time while another has a surplus. The provinces will also establish clearing houses, which will be maintained by the provincial governments, for the purpose of distributing labor between the various cities and towns of the provinces as is necessary.

Matters of detail, such as officers' routine, the addition of statistical forms and records, etc., were settled today. These matters were important to the proper co-ordination of the provinces into one organization. Representatives of the department of soldiers' civil re-establishment, and the Great War Veterans' Association were present at the conference in the afternoon, and ways and means were discussed to delineate the functions of the employment bureaus in relation to the returned soldier. A substantial agreement was reached, and a comprehensive plan for both departments, in relation to unemployment outlined.

APPOINTMENT WILL PROTECT OUR INTERESTS

Ottawa Says This is What Dr. Barnhill's Selection Means—The Importance of This Port is Recognized.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 22.—Protection of the transportation interests of the Maritime Provinces is the main reason assigned for the appointment of Col. Cantley, of Sydney, and Mr. A. P. Barnhill, of St. John, to the Canadian Northern Railway Board.

Mr. Barnhill's appointment, in particular, was a recognition by the present government of St. John's predominance as Canada's national winter port, and as the real ocean terminus of the government railways system.

With one thousand miles of government owned railway in New Brunswick, and with St. John the largest winter export port in the Dominion, Hon. F. B. Carvell insisted that Mr. Barnhill be added to the board, and the government readily recognized the justice of the claim.

While of course Mr. Barnhill is not expected to act upon the board merely as the representative of a section of a country, it is felt that the transportation interests of St. John will be adequately safeguarded by his presence on the board.

LOSS IN CH'TOWN FIRE IS $25,000

Grant & Kennedy Building and Stock, Connolly Estate Building and Maddigan Grocery Losers.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Nov. 22—The damage by last night's fire here is estimated as follows:

Grant and Kennedy building, owned by R. Grant, five thousand; their stock of sleighs, carriages, agricultural implements, etc., ten thousand; commercial travellers samples of Greenshields, Gault Bros., Montreal and Manchester Robertson Allison, Brock and Paterson, St. John, N. B., about four thousand; Conolly Estate building, three thousand; R. F. Maddigan, grocery, fifteen hundred; Simon Joseph, dry goods, two thousand; total $25,000. Insurance about $20,000.

PATIENTS ARE ABLE TO TALK WITH DOCTOR WHO IS CHOPPING THEM UP

Highly Important Surgical Discovery Made During the War by Eminent French Surgeon, Who, by Drenching the Whole Spinal Column in Cocaine-Morphine Solution Produces Anaesthesia Without Unconsciousness.

(By Bampton Hunt.)

Special cable to The N. Y. Tribune and St. John Standard.

Paris, Nov. 19—One of the most important surgical discoveries resulting from the war has just been made by Dr. Le Filatre, who succeeded in developing a new anaesthetic which enables every possible kind of an operation to be performed, not only without pain but without necessitating the patient being placed in an unconscious condition.

This new process has evolved from a method which has been in use for several years by which pain has been eliminated from the lower parts of the body in cases of operations to the lower limbs by means of an injection of cocaine or some similar drug into the vertebral column.

The only drawback to this method has been that it hitherto has been impossible to prevent the pain of certain and inoffensive, he said. No shock is felt by the patient either from the operation itself or from the anaesthetic The physical shocks are avoided by a preventative injection of scopolomine morphine. The only instruments needed are a trocar needle and an ordinary glass syringe. The patient is purged the night before and half an hour before the operation a subcutaneous injection of scolopomine morphine and sulphate strychine and spartine is given, and then the puncture is made at the base of the vertebral column. When what is judged to be the necessary quantity, the operation being felt in the upper parts of the body unless the usual other anaesthetic methods were used. This difficulty now has been surmounted by the method which Le Filatre

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KINGS COUNTY PLANS TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF ITS SOLDIER BOYS

Arrangements Were Made Last Evening for a Dinner to be Held on December Fifth at Which it is Hoped All Will be Present—At That Gathering Steps Will be Taken Looking to the Erection of a Suitable Memorial in the Form of a Soldiers' Home.

Sussex, Nov. 22.—This town will on December 5 tender a dinner to all the returned soldiers in Kings County and while the men are together it is proposed to complete the organization of a county association and lay plans for the erection of a permanent memorial, in the way of a home for soldiers, here.

At a meeting held tonight, presided over by Major G. S. Kinnear, president of the Kings County G. W. V. A., attended by a number of clergymen and representative citizens, a committee of ladies from the various churches was appointed to make arrangements for the dinner and a formal invitation will be sent to all returned men the committee are able to get the addresses of. If any returned man should not receive this invitation it will because the committee have not his address, but he will be expected to come to the dinner just the same.

There is a movement on foot to build a permanent memorial to the soldiers from Kings County who have fallen on the field of battle, this memorial to take the form of a building to be erect here, and be for the use of returned soldiers.

At the dinner organization for the campaign for funds will be completed and committees appointed. It is planned to have this building worthy of the county in which it is built and of the men in whose honor it is erected and when finished the Vets of Kings County will have a home second to none in the province.