

THE ACADIAN.

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Editorial Brevities.

The spectacle of a board of appeal, ostensibly sitting for the purpose of righting the people's wrongs, transacting their business in an undertone for fear of being heard by their constituents, would be a ludicrous one if it were not pitiable. It was what Wolfville people had before them on Tuesday. "God, give us men."

Not twenty-five percent of the available maple trees in Canada are being tapped. Statistics show that out of 55,000 farmers in Eastern Canada who produce maple syrup and sirup at all, only very few tap more than a quarter of the trees they have available on their farms. This 25 per cent. production is worth \$1,500,000 annually. This amount might easily be doubled. One man can take care of tapping the sap from 500 trees as easily as from 500.

Returns so far recorded of the soldier vote have increased the Union government majority to about sixty. Majorities in New Brunswick were no larger than the almost solid vote of the soldiers for union made no change in results, but in Nova Scotia the soldier vote turns the scale in five constituencies, making the provincial representation twelve government and four opposition. The Maritime Provinces' representation is, therefore, fifteen government and twelve opposition. This is much better than the election-night returns indicated.

An incident which came to our attention recently illustrates very well the differences between efficient and inefficient law enforcement. It seems that about the time of the recent federal election a quantity of intoxicants was seized by Wolfville's inspector under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act. A number of seizures were also made about the same time by the county inspector, Mr. C. A. Patriquin. That secured by Mr. Patriquin was destroyed after the regular legal formalities had been gone through, while in the case of the town's seizures the liquor was returned to the consignees. It is only fair to Inspector Crowell, however, to say that he was not responsible for the return of the 'booze' having been directed so to do by the committee having charge of law enforcement for the town. The sequel to the story is that Mr. Patriquin was not reappointed at the meeting of the Municipal Council. He has the satisfaction, however, of knowing that the well thinking citizens of the county appreciate his natural performance of duty. Some day citizens, both without and within the town, will get wise.

The Food Controller Says:

During the next four or five months food conservation on this continent and among their own people must be almost the sole hope of the Allied nations in Europe and of friendly neutrals. No effort that can be made by the people of North America can add any considerable amount of new food to the available supplies before next fall. Stocks are dangerously depleted, particularly in the case of cereals and meats. The problem is to 'stretch' these supplies over the interval until this year's crops are harvested. While preparing for increased production, we must also do our utmost to help our Allies over the next few months when starvation will be threatening them dangerously.

Most Guard Army Supplies.

Official information, much of it confidential, received during the past few days, emphasizes the scarcity of supplies of cereals and meats and the necessity of avoiding at all costs encroachment upon the supplies for the armies. In Great Britain, in France, in Italy, the people are alive to the situation. They know something of what the next few months will mean. Their spirit was expressed by Lord Charles Bessford the other day when he said, "We are tightening our belts and we are going to win."

A recent cable from London stated that the present meat ration in Great Britain is not more than one-half of the amount to which the people have been accustomed. Accompanied as this is by the restrictions on the consumption of bread it cannot but entail physical loss and privation. Canadians, too, must tighten their belts and help the Allies to win. Use should be made on this continent of every available substitute for wheat, beef and pork. Upon our food service depends the very lives of thousands of women and children in the Allied countries.

Legislative.

The Provincial Legislature was opened on Thursday last by His Honor Lieut. Governor Grant with the usual ceremonies. In the absence of Premier Murray, who is attending a conference of Provincial Premiers at Ottawa, Hon. O. T. Daniels is acting premier. There were three seats vacant when the House met. The others are: Mr. Robert E. Fries, in Baltimore; Mr. J. C. Tory, who is in Montreal; Major J. L. Ralston is in France; Mr. John Morrison recently passed away, and Messrs. J. W. C. Meese, J. W. Margeson, R. H. Butts and John C. Douglas, signed to contest seats for the Federal government.

The Speech from the Throne was the usual order. It promised a measure under which the elective franchise would be given to women on the 21st of June. It is now given to men.

Mr. McAvoy Replies

TO THE EDITOR OF THE ACADIAN: DEAR SIR, -The letter appearing in last week's ACADIAN - "The Risk's Side of It" - was true and appropriate in one item at least, namely, the heading. When Mr. D'Almaise wishes to air himself in the press, he should at least be careful how he handles the truth and above all not express himself in veiled phrases.

First, he accuses Mr. Brown, the Scoutmaster, for refusing to allow the Scout Band to play in the rink when, as a matter of fact, it was I who refused to have the band in the rink. Furthermore, Mr. D'Almaise knew I was responsible for this action. Then why blame Mr. Brown?

Mr. D'Almaise states in his letter that he refused to let the Scout Band play to pay off their bills. Now, Mr. Editor, this is a case of Mr. D'Almaise's veiled phrasing. First of all, we have no bills pending but that we can meet them, and that without Mr. D'Almaise's help; but when Mr. D'Almaise made this statement he must have been conscious that he was lying, for when the matter to which he refers was brought to him, it was that the Scouts of Hantsport and Wolfville play off the final game of hockey, and then have two hours of skating with the band present, and ALL proceeds go to the Red Cross. Does this look, Mr. Editor, as if we were anxious to pay off our own bills? The Scout Band is available at any time. Red Cross work or any other philanthropic work, FREE OF CHARGE - is the skating rink?

Mr. D'Almaise also says in his letter: "It seems a pity the boys could not earn some money playing at the rink, instead of our having to get an outside band." I am sure, Mr. Editor, that Mr. D'Almaise is the very essence of kindness to give the boys the opportunity to make some money; but I would like to know, Mr. Editor, what or whom is such money for? D'Almaise, or the Scouts? The outside band costs \$150 and expenses, or approximately \$250. The Scout band would receive about one-third the total amount, and by so doing Mr. D'Almaise would be about two-thirds richer each week, so, after all, his suggestion is simply two for himself and one for the Scouts.

When Mr. D'Almaise tries to explain in the press his attitude in such matters, he ought to at least see to it that his attitude is in perfect harmony with his attitude as expressed to others. He says to the press that he refused to let the band play to pay off the bills, but to the College Athletic staff he said they couldn't have the Scout band for a skate, because it would ruin his business; so, after all, the real source of his soreness is that an outside band is bad business for Mr. D'Almaise. When all is said and done, Mr. Editor, I should like to ask what Mr. D'Almaise thinks the Scout band has been organized for? To play at the rink and grind the mill for him? If so, then he is mistaken. The band has been organized so that the boys of this town - Scouts of course - can develop and cultivate their musical talent; and, in addition, that the citizens of this town might have the pleasure of a band during the summer months. That the boys returning from the front can have a band of their own boys to meet them instead of an outside band; and, so that during the tourist season, tourists visiting Wolfville shall feel that we are alive and that they have not been reading in 'Sleepy Hollow.' So you see, Mr. Editor, the skating rink is not on our program, and why make a fuss when you get all you pay for?

E. McAvoy, Scout Bandmaster.

Town Officers

The following are the standing committees and officers of the town for the ensuing year:

- Public Accounts, Finance and Ter. - Conns. Harris, Harvey and Rand.
- License and Police - Conns. Regan, Harris, Rand.
- Public Property, Roads, Streets and Bridges - Conns. Rand, Harvey and Regan.
- Water and Fire - Conns. Sherwood, Harris and Harvey.
- Food - Conns. Regan, DeWitt and Harvey.
- Sewerage - Harvey, Sherwood and DeWitt.
- Electric Light and Power - DeWitt, Harvey and Sherwood.
- Court of Appeals - Regan, Sherwood and Mayor Hales.
- Arbitration - The Mayor, Recorder and Conns. Harris.
- Revisions Jury Lists - The Mayor, Conns. Regan and Town Clerk.
- Public Health - The Whole Council.
- Board of Fire Escapes - J. F. Herbin, A. M. Wheaton, E. W. Rigles, F. M. Angus.
- Town Clerk - H. Y. Bishop.
- Health Officer - Dr. G. R. DeWitt.
- Sanitary Inspector - Police Officer.
- Supt. of Streets, Water and Sewers and Inspector of Plumbing and Sewerage - C. Johnson.
- Revisors - J. W. Wallace, M. W. Pick, B. O. Davidson.
- Auditors - H. E. Arnold, and S. C. West.
- Measurer of Cord Wood - J. C. Bishop.
- Surveyor of Lumber - Chas. Wright.
- Inspector of Grain, etc. - F. J. Hutchinson.
- Fence Viewers - W. H. Evans, J. B. Tingley.
- Fish and Meat - F. P. Rockwell.
- Flour and Feed - A. M. Wheaton.
- Port Warden - R. E. Harris.
- Pound Keeper - Police Officer.
- Fire Warden - I. W. Sleep, Chas. Wright, J. C. Bishop, Chas. Stewart.
- Fire Constables - J. W. Veague, J. W. Seelwidge, Frank Regan.
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The Minstrel Show, given by the College Boys on the evening of February 14th, was a tremendous success. The gate receipts were nearly \$50, of which the proceeds are to be used for furnishing the club room at Willett Hall. A brilliant program was prepared in two parts; the Acadia orchestra playing before each curtain rise. The opening chorus contained one solo - 'Sweet Emma', by Prince 'A. C. A.' The red men - Boyie and Robinson - were 'relaxed' and arrived just after being introduced. Irving rendered an imitation, 'A Little Sing'. Riddles, jokes and anecdotes followed, interrupted by the following selections: 'If You Saw All That I Saw,' a solo by E. A. Merrien. The clowns, Chesley and Buchanan, gave an exhibition of gymnastics. Quartet members Prince, Archibald, Cross and R. A. sang 'Mamma's Little Boy'. Then followed the chorus, 'Now Archibald, 'Misouri Waltz,' a piece under the direction of Mr. Bishop of Kentville. This pleased to be the best amateur performance ever given in Wolfville.

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H. Y. BISHOP, Town Clerk. G. L. BISHOP, Greenwich. Phone 49-2.

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