

DIARY OF THE MONTH.

1915.
June.
- 2 **NORTH PERTH, (Ont.) CONSERVATIVES**, annual meeting at Milverton, nominate the sitting member, **H. B. MORPHY, M.P.**
- 4 **DURHAM, (Ont.) LIBERALS**, convention at Orono, complete organization for next election. Meeting addressed by **HON. GEO. P. GRAHAM**.
- DAUPHIN, (Man.) LIBERALS**, convention at Dauphin, unanimously nominate the sitting member, **ROBERT CRUISE, M.P.**
- Appointment of **HON. A. C. MacDONALD** as **LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR** of **PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND**, succeeding Lieut-Gov. McKinnon, term expired, is announced at Ottawa.
- 9 **SOUTH-EAST GREY, (Ont.) (new constituency) LIBERALS**, convention at Durham, nominate **H. H. MILLER** of Hanover, former M.P. for East Grey. Convention addressed by **HON. G. P. GRAHAM**.
- SOUTH OXFORD, (Ont.) CONSERVATIVES**, annual meeting at Ingersoll.
- NORTH HURON, (Ont.) CONSERVATIVES**, annual meeting at Wingham.
- 10 **MUSKOKA, (Ont.) LIBERALS**, convention at Bracebridge nominate **Dr. D. J. McDONALD** of Huntsville.
- 12 **EAST MIDDLESEX, (Ont.) CONSERVATIVES**, meeting at London, political address by **HON. ARTHUR MEIGHEN**, Solicitor General.
- 13 **LIBERAL DEMONSTRATION** at Rigaud, Que., addressed by Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, Gustave Boyer, M.P. (Vaudreuil) and A. Verville, M.P. (Maisonneuve).
- 16 **WEST LAMBTON, (Ont.) CONSERVATIVES**, convention at Sarnia, nominate **A. J. JOHNSON** of Sarnia.
- EAST PETERBORO, (Ont.) CONSERVATIVES**, annual meeting and convention at Norwood, nominate the sitting member, **J. A. SEXSMITH, M.P.**
- 17 **NORTHUMBERLAND, (Ont.) (new riding) CONSERVATIVES**, convention at Warkworth, nominate **C. A. MUNSON, M.P.**, sitting member for West Northumberland.
- 18 **SOUTH-EAST GREY, (Ont.) CONSERVATIVES**, convention at Durham, nominate **R. J. BALL, M.P.**, sitting member for South Grey. **HON. T. J. SPROULE**, speaker of the House of Commons, announces his intention to retire. Convention addressed by **HON. W. T. WHITE**, Minister of Finance.
- 21 **SOUTH SIMCOE, (Ont.) CONSERVATIVES**, convention at Cookstown, nominate the sitting member, **W. A. BOYS, M.P.** Political address by **HON. ARTHUR MEIGHEN**, Solicitor General.
- 22 **INVERNESS, (N.S.) LIBERALS**, convention at Inverness, nominate the sitting member, **A. W. CHISHOLM, M.P.** Convention addressed by **E. M. MacDONALD, M.P.** (Pictou) and **D. D. McKENZIE, M.P.** (Cape Breton North).
- 24 **SASKATCHEWAN LEGISLATURE PROROGUES.**
- INVESTIGATION** of **GOVERNMENT WAR CONTRACTS** by Sir Charles Davidson opens at Ottawa.
- 26 **HON. SAM. BARKER**, Conservative member for East Hamilton, Ont., dies at his home in Hamilton.
- 28 **PREMIER BORDEN**, on eve of leaving for England, announces appointment of **FEDERAL COMMISSION** to enquire into methods for increased agricultural production, immigration, etc.
- PREMIER BORDEN** leaves Ottawa for England and announces that trip is for the purpose of conferring with the Imperial Authorities. He is accompanied by **R. B. BENNETT, M.P.** (Calgary).
- 28 **W. F. GARLAND, M.P.** Cons. (Carleton, Ont.), **FORMALLY RESIGNS** his seat in the Commons, following revelations before War Contracts Commission that he personally profited from Powell Contracts.
- 29 **RED DEER, (Alta.) LIBERALS**, convention at Red Deer, unanimously nominate the sitting member, **MICHAEL CLARK, M.P.**
- MUSKOKA, (Ont.) CONSERVATIVES**, convention at Bracebridge, nominate **W. WRIGHT, M.P.**, the sitting member.

BLAME IT ON THE WAR.

(A Nationalist-Conservative Governmental Song,
rendered by the Full Strength of the Borden Cabinet)

This awful strife in Europe
We should be thankful for;
It gives us opportunity
To "blame it on the War."

So, acting like the cuttle-fish
Obscurity we pour
Into our Cabinet history,
And "blame it on the War."

The people must be made forget
We had hard times before
And we've done much to make them worse,
But, "blame it on the War."

The favored few are growing rich
The masses growing poor,
A most regretful circumstance,
But—"blame it on the War."

With favoritism, waste and graft
Our record's black as tar,
But humbug is an easy game,
So—"blame it on the War."

Without the boom in war supplies
We'd been much worse off by far,
But go on shouting just the same,
And—"blame it on the War."

We've overdrawn our bank account
And squandered more and more
On crooked contracts, deals and schemes—
But—"blame it on the War."

Pile extra taxes on the backs
That were already sore,
And if there's any murmuring,
Why—"blame it on the War."

A mighty lucky thing for us
These lines of trenches are,
It gives us such a chance to hide
Our deeds behind the War.

• J. W. BENGOUGH.

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