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**"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been justly achieved."—H. M. The King.**  
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE DOMINION—Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

## UNION GOVERNMENT GAINS

Returns of the soldiers' voting, already received and announced from Ottawa, demonstrate that Canada's fighting men were behind the Union Government candidates almost as a unit. The votes of the soldiers serving in Canada, the West Indies, or in Europe, have been counted and credited to the constituencies for which they were cast. The votes of the soldiers in the United Kingdom are still to be tallied and allotted, and the return from this continent and from Europe is very strongly in favor of the Union candidates. It is a certainty that the complexion of the English vote will be similar.

Until the total vote is received and counted it is impossible to judge with accuracy what the Government's majority will be when it meets the House, but the military ballots polled in Canada, the West Indies and Europe have already affected changes in the return as it stood at the conclusion of the civilian voting.

There is no change in the representation of this province, but in the sister province of Nova Scotia the Government has already gained four seats as the result of the votes of the men in khaki. In Prince Edward Island there has been no change, although there is a chance that the English vote may affect the result in at least one of the seats in Queens.

In Nova Scotia, George W. Kyle, of South Cape Breton and Richmond, and his Laurierite colleague, W. F. Carroll, have been voted out of Parliament by the soldiers, the Laurierites in Hants and Pictou have been defeated, while the defeat of H. J. Logan in Cumberland has already been announced. This, added to the constituencies where the civilian result was not changed, will give Nova Scotia, twelve Unionists and four Laurierites in the next House.

In this province the only effect of the soldier vote to date has been to increase the majorities of the Unionist candidates. As a result, Dr. Broderick in St. John-Albert, and Mr. N. W. Brown in York-Sunbury, who saved their deposits by a narrow margin in civilian voting, are now found to have lost them. Unionist candidates who lose their deposits are Mr. Robidoux in Kent and Mr. Stewart in Restigouche-Madawaska, although they received a larger soldier vote than their opponents.

The result by counties is interesting. In Charlotte, the majority of Mr. Hartt, Unionist, has been increased from 212 to 466. In Northumberland, Mr. Loggie, Unionist, increases his majority from 86 to 511. In Royal Col. McLean's majority has been increased from 2,201 to 2,592, and there is a very good chance that the vote of soldiers in the United Kingdom will cause his opponent, Mr. Sharpe, to lose his deposit. In York-Sunbury, Col. McLeod, Unionist, increases his majority over Nelson W. Brown, from 2,902 to 3,439, and the latter gentleman loses his deposit.

In Westmorland, Kent and Restigouche-Madawaska the Unionist candidates received the support of the soldiers, but the vote so far has not been sufficiently heavy to offset the figures of the civilian polling.

The victory in St. John and Albert is made more impressive by the votes of the soldiers. In the civilian polling Mr. Elkin received 10,824 votes and Mr. Wigmore 10,788, while Dr. Broderick polled 5,512 and Dr. Emery 5,362. Of the soldiers' vote Mr. Elkin received 1,850 and Mr. Wigmore 1,874, while Dr. Broderick polled 147 and Dr. Emery 125. This makes the total vote of the Unionist candidates as follows: Elkin, 12,674; Wigmore, 12,662; while of the Laurier ticket Dr. Broderick has 5,659 and Dr. Emery 5,497. Mr. Elkin's net majority is 7,015 and Mr. Wigmore's 7,003. These figures will be further increased by the vote of the soldiers in the United Kingdom, which is yet to be announced.

In every province except Quebec the Unionist candidates were the gainers from the soldiers' votes, although in most cases the majorities already recorded were so decisive that the number of seats in which the result will be changed is not as large as would otherwise have been the case. Generally the military vote has gone ninety per cent. to the Government, a fact that demonstrates beyond the shadow of doubt that the men in the trenches believed that the Union Government represented their ideals and proved their faith by their works.

## WHEN NEW BRUNSWICK LOST.

One year ago yesterday, on February 24th, 1917, the people of the Northern and Eastern parts of New Brunswick voted out the Murray Government and delivered the destinies of this province over to the collection of Heaven-born statesmen who now sit at Fredericton as supporters of Hon. Walter E. Foster. It is not necessary at this time to go over the events of that campaign; all that need be said is that the Fosterites were victorious in the counties where false canvasses were used, and where the real issues of the day were forgotten in the eagerness of the people to believe the cry so freely employed, that "the return of the Murray Government means the adoption of conscription."

During the 1917 campaign The Standard called attention to this canvass and pointed out that the result of the provincial campaign could in no wise affect the decision of the Dominion Government on the Military Service Act. Time has shown the truth of that statement. The Murray Government was defeated, and yet, in less than seven months, the Dominion Government had decided to put the Military Service Act in force, a decision which was abundantly endorsed by the Canadian people in the Dominion election of December last.

Today, the people of New Brunswick can see more plainly the error they made twelve months ago. They turned out a Government that had given sound, aggressive administration to this province, and replaced it by a government of shreds and patches, a government dependent for its very existence upon men who were elected not because the people were dissatisfied with the former administration, but because they were misled and fooled by improper canvasses.

New Brunswick has never had a more incompetent government than that led by Hon. Walter E. Foster. New Brunswick realizes this today, and will realize it still more clearly in the future.

## HOW THE TIMES SUPPORTS UNION.

The Times on Thursday evening gave expression to two editorial utterances that reveal the real feeling of that newspaper toward the Union Government now in power in Ottawa, and in which New Brunswick is represented by Hon. P. B. Carvell. In one item, headed "The Profiteer," the Times said:

"There is too much fiddling at Ottawa, and too high a regard for the profiteer. The Liberal members of the cabinet should know that the country looks to them for action. Time and again Commissioner O'Connor has declared that too much food of certain kinds is held in cold storage and that prices are too high. Everybody knows that great quantities of potatoes will rot because they have been hoarded. And yet the Government takes no action. Commissioner O'Connor reviews the cold storage situation and says:

"There has been considerable selling and re-selling of storage eggs among the egg operators. The consumer pays for every jot. I humbly submit that this sort of thing should be stopped."

"How long will the Government tolerate this sort of business? What is the matter with the machinery that should deal with the profiteers? The country is growing restive and dissatisfied. If the ministers do not know it their sources of information are very poor. What is the use of employing for sacrifice and greater war-work when the profiteers are permitted to go on doing business at the old stand?"

Having thus crucified the Union Government to its own satisfaction, the Times proceeds to find fault with the administration of the Military Service Act, and says:

"The Military Service Act is not producing satisfactory results. The Government must act and act promptly in this matter. For that it was placed in power. If it fails it deserves to be thrown out of power."

Evidently our Canterbury street contemporary is preparing to crawl back under the Laurier umbrella, but it is interesting to note that the complaint as to the operation of the Military Service Act comes from a newspaper which supports the only Provincial Premier in all Canada who lacked the courage to come out openly during the general election and declare himself on the Military Service Act. Even in Quebec, where opposition to that act was intense, Sir Lomer Gouin had the manliness to stand up and be counted. Mr. Foster, however, merely sat tight.

Toronto, Feb. 24.—Ottawa saw their chances for the championship of the National Hockey League fade away last night when they went down to another defeat before Toronto, the final score being nine to three.

## A BIT OF VERSE

### BETTER TO CLIMB AND FALL

Give me a man with an aim,  
Whatever that aim may be,  
Whether it's wealth, or whether it's fame,  
It matters not to me.  
Let him walk in the path of right,  
And keep his aim in sight,  
And work and pray in faith always  
With his eyes on the glittering height.

Give me a man who says,  
"I will do something well,  
And make the fitting days  
A story of labor toil."  
Though the aim he has is small,  
It is better than none at all,  
With something to do the whole  
Year through.

He will not stumble or fall.  
But Satan weaves a snare  
For the feet of those who stray  
With never a thought of care.  
Where the path may lead away,  
The man who has no aim  
Not only leaves no name  
When this life is done, but ten to one  
He leaves a record of shame.

Give me a man whose heart  
Is filled with ambition's fire;  
Who sets his mark in the start,  
And keeps moving it higher and higher.  
Better to die in the strife  
The hand which holds the sword,  
Than to glide with the stream in an  
Idle dream,  
And lead a purposeless life.

Better to strive and climb,  
And never reach the goal,  
Than to drift along with time,  
An aimless, worthless soul.  
Aye, better to climb and fall,  
Or sow, though the yield be small,  
Than to throw away day after day,  
And never to strive at all.

## A BIT OF FUN

### KNOW WHAT HE WAS ABOUT.

Boston has frequently been made the butt of the joker who declares that our cops go about with their noses buried in a volume of Epictetus or some other ancient. We've never noticed any doing this. We confess, however, to hearing of a policeman who was having his baby christened and gave the name "Septimus Octavius" to the officiating clergyman.

### AN EYE TO TRADE.

He had been fishing patiently for several hours without a bite when a small urchin strolled up.  
"Any luck, mister?" he called out.  
"Run away, boy," growled the angler, in gruff tones.  
"No offence, sir," said the boy, as he walked away, "only I just wanted to say that my father keeps a fish shop down to the right, sir."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

### A SENSE OF FITNESS.

Having just learned over the phone that he could not get an ounce of coal, Bangs, the terrible tempered, went into the parlor uttering the most awful imprecations.  
"William!" exclaimed his wife, "if you must swear for mercy don't do it standing on the prayer rug."

### ALL THAT MATTERED.

At Oxford a boating undergraduate in his examination for ordination was asked:  
"How many persons are there in the Trinity?" promptly replied: "Four and the coxswain."—Christian Register.

### MORE CAMOUFLAGE.

"Why are you putting on so much rouge, dear?"  
"Oh, Jack is taking me to some revue or other, and I want him to think I'm blushing!"—London Opinion.

## MANY ATTEND THE FUNERAL OF BLACK

Brakeman, Killed at Calhoun's, Buried Under Auspices of Knights of Columbus.

Special to The Standard.  
Moncton, Feb. 24.—Many citizens, including a large number of C. G. R. ratmen, paid the last tribute of respect this afternoon to C. Hedley Black, unfortunate victim of Friday's sad fatality at Calhoun's. The funeral took place from St. Bernard's church and the service was conducted by Rev. Edward Savage. About seventy-five Knights of Columbus, of which order the deceased was a member, attended in a body, headed by Grand Knight B. A. Bourgeois and Capt. John Mollenfant, recently returned from overseas. The pallbearers were Frank Moore, Sylvain LeBlanc, Jas. LeBlanc, Tillman LeBlanc, Frank Walsh, Frank Healy.

The interment was made in the R. C. cemetery, Shediac Road. Among the mourners were the deceased's mother and a brother from Moncton.

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BY LEE PAPE.  
I was watching pop smoking in the setting room, and all of a sudden I got a fine idea, saying, Pop, I got a fine idea.  
Good, it must be hereditary, I'm always having them, and pop, it's a queer how I can get up early every morning without being called, I see.

It sounds like one of those ideas too great for any one single man to accomplish, like Napoleon's idea and the Kaiser's idea, and pop, No, sir, pop, it's a little idea, it needs 2 to make it work, you and me, shall I explain it to you?  
Well, inasmuch as I've bin put down for an active part in it, perhaps it would be best, and pop, Well, I see, every time before you go to bed you have to put a dime on the parlor mantel piece.

O, I half to, and pop, I mean you half to if you want to get in the idea, I see.  
Perse, and pop, and I see, And if I go down and get the dime every morning before you call me, I can keep it, and by the time I go all the way down to the parlor after it in my pidjammers I'll be so much wook up that I won't feel like going back to bed again and I'll jest stay up.

Nothing doing, and pop, Well, it mite work with a nickel, or even with 3 cents, I see.  
Nothing doing, if I hadent bin publicly criticizing the way the government has bin handling money to run the war maybe I mite be tempted to try questionable methods of running the family sleeping department, but as it is, nothing doing, my conscripts fobbid, and pop, And he kepp on smoking and I kepp on thinking it was a fine idea anyhow.

Mission church of St. John the Baptist for their Christmas remembrance. Among other St. John boys, he speaks of meeting Walter Daye, whom he found in good health. Mrs. Langley's other son, Harry, is now out of hospital, after being wounded, and is with the 13th Reserve Battalion at Sussex, England.

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## WILL USE CANSO BOAT FOR P. E. I. Government Fitting Up Car Ferry to Relieve the Prince Edward Island.

Charlottetown, Feb. 24.—Premier Arsenault, just back from Ottawa, states that the government is fitting up the car ferry steamer that formerly ran across the Straights of Canoe, to act as auxiliary to the car ferry "Prince Edward Island" and relieve her when she is withdrawn for overhauling.

The "Leonard," the Levis-Quebec ferry and which is offered for sale, was first suggested but she has been declared unsuitable for the Island service.

LETTER FROM FRANCE.  
Otty Lingley, in a letter to his mother, at 87 High street, says that he is taking a gas course in France. He writes that he received all his parcels safely and wishes to thank Rev. J. V. Young and the congregation of the

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