

NO INFLUENCE CAN CHANGE ATTITUDE OF LAURIER

SIR WILFRID LAURIER INSISTS ON HAVING GENERAL ELECTION AND RELIES ON DISLOYAL MEN

Liberal Story Sent Out from Ottawa Falsely Designed to Make Impression That Premier Borden Is in Deep Water and Is Shouting Lustily for Help.

FURTHER PARLEYING WITH SIR WILFRID FORE-CONDEMNED TO FAILURE

Sir Robert Has Not Changed His Attitude and Places No Dependence on Laurier in Formation of National Win-the-War Cabinet.

Special to The Standard. — Ottawa, Aug. 12.—The story sent out from Ottawa representing that Sir Robert Borden had made another futile attempt to induce Sir Wilfrid Laurier to join the Government is part of a general scheme to make it appear that the Premier is in deep water and is shouting lustily for help. The fact is that Sir Robert's negotiations with Sir Wilfrid ceased with the latter's refusal to countenance a coalition based upon conscription. He had later made it clear by public pronouncement that the attitude he then assumed he still maintains. Every one who has had the least knowledge of what has taken place during the negotiations and since then, knows that to be a fact. It is foolish to say that he has reversed the attitude at any conference.

Laurier Wants Election.

He knows that Sir Wilfrid wants an election, hoping that with all the indifferent and disloyal elements behind him he may succeed in the absence of the soldiers. If others think they have influence enough with Sir Wilfrid to make him change his views, there is no particular harm in letting them try their hand, and it is not the Premier's inclination to refuse to join in such conversations, although he knows they are condemned in advance to failure. Prominent Liberals inside and outside of parliament believed they could influence Sir Wilfrid in favor of conscription just as they believed last year they could pry him loose from bilingualism. They find him now as they did then—obstinate and obdurate. He has elected to stay with his compatriots in Quebec.

to show that the importation was in violation of the prohibition law of the province, and that the liquor was for beverage purposes. Prosecutions would disclose whether liquor was sold for a beverage or not.

Mr. J. E. Armstrong congratulated the minister of justice on the forward step he had taken regarding prohibition. He himself would welcome the day when national prohibition would be in force in this country. He claimed that the province had power to stop the importation of liquor at present.

Mr. Carvell said there was nothing to prevent an Ottawa man bringing cases of liquor from Hull into Ottawa provided it was for his own consumption.

Mr. Macell—"They are bringing in cases every day."

Mr. Armstrong added that he felt it was a very great injustice that the post office had been used for the purpose of distributing advertisements for the sale of liquor.

Hon. Mr. Lemieux said he was surprised that the mails were being polluted by liquor sent through parcel post. When he was postmaster-general he had ordered letter carriers not to carry liquor. The bill was put through the committee stage and given third reading.

INVITED TO SPEAK HERE.

C. W. Romans, secretary of the Canadian Club, who has been in Halifax, stated that he had invited S. Armstrong, the assistant superintendent of the army medical hospital board, to address the club when he comes to St. John early next week.

The assistant superintendent is looking after the re-education and general welfare of returned soldiers. He states that he will be pleased to speak before the Canadian Club and it is hoped there will be a large attendance as he has much to say that is of interest. His addresses are highly instructive and throw much light on a very live and important subject.

The date of the address will be announced later.

Indictable Offence.

Mr. Doherty introduced a further amendment, making it an indictable offence punishable by fine or imprisonment for any insurance company or agent who made rebates in favor of an individual in the amount of the premium charged, or who entered into any agreement which would operate as a condition in respect of the amount to be paid except as expressed in the policy. He explained that such a provision was in the insurance act and had been there since 1910. His amendment provided for a penalty double the amount of the annual premium charged in respect of which the offence is committed, and not less than a hundred dollars for the first offence, with a minimum of not less than \$200 for the second. This applied to those who accepted or gave a rebate to the agent who consented to a violation of the act, penalty of \$500 was provided.

Mr. Doherty explained that while the insurance act contains such a provision the insurance not only applied to federal and foreign countries but the insertion of this amendment to the criminal code.

Provincial companies would also come under the provision.

The bill passed through committee and was given third reading.

Prohibition Legislation.

The house then went into committee on Mr. Doherty's bill to amend the act in aid of provincial prohibition legislation. He said that the purpose of it was to back up the interests of provincial prohibition legislation.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier in remarking upon the allowance made for the importation of liquor for other than purposes of beverage, said that drug stores generally were the places where prohibitory legislation was contravened. He thought that the license given for the importation of liquor for non-beverage purpose opened the door to abuse.

Mr. Doherty said in answer to Mr. Macell that the men who instituted prosecutions under the act, would have

THE MYSTERY OF THE BLOODY KEY



THE KEY COMES BACK STAINED WITH HER HERO'S BLOOD

HENDERSON'S ACT UNFAIR SAYS PREMIER

Lloyd George Tells Former Minister So Plainly in Accepting Resignation.

London, Aug. 12.—Premier Lloyd George last night made public Arthur Henderson's letter of resignation and his acceptance, both dated Saturday.

Lloyd George says in part: "I am in receipt of your letter of this morning tendering your resignation of your position as a member of the war cabinet, and have received the permission of His Majesty to accept it. My colleagues and I have received with satisfaction, your assurance of your unabated desire to assist in the prosecution of the war to a successful conclusion, and they greatly regret that you can no longer be directly and officially associated with them in that enterprise."

"Yesterday morning we received a most important communication from the Russian government in which we were informed that, although the Russian government did not deem it possible to prevent Russian delegates from taking part in the Stockholm conference, they regarded it as a party concern, and its decision was in no wise binding on the liberty of action of the government, and further the covering letter, which accompanied this communication, has prevailed that in the words of one of the London newspapers Russia ardently desired the Stockholm conference, and this argument has been put forward in order to influence British public opinion in favor of the labor and socialist parties of Great Britain participating in the conference."

"Immediately on the receipt of this information, I sent it over to you, with the request that you communicate it to the conference. You omitted to do so."

"In these circumstances your action does not appear to have been fair."

EX-GOV. CLARK DEAD.

Toronto, Aug. 12.—William Mortimer Clark, of Toronto, lieutenant-governor of Ontario from 1903 to 1908, died at Front Point on Saturday. He was born in Aberdeen, Scotland.

KING GEORGE HAS MESSAGE OF CHEER FOR THE RUSSIANS

London, Aug. 11.—King George has sent the following telegram to Prime Minister Kerensky of Russia: "At the commencement of the fourth year of the great conflict which still rages, and at the moment when you are re-established in the leadership of the free Russian people, I desire to assure you and them that the British peoples will never relax their efforts against our common enemies. In combined force, resolutely exerted by the Allies, will be found the security of an honorable peace and true liberty to the world. I recognize that all Russia is now called upon to bear, but I have faith in her powers to face and overcome her formidable difficulties in this hour of trial." (Sgd) "GEORGE, R. I."

Fifteen Barns Down.

Yarmouth, N. S., Aug. 12.—As reports come in from the country they bring more of the great destruction of the miniature tornado which passed over here on Friday afternoon. There is hardly an orchard but what has suffered the loss of from one to twenty trees. Barns are blown over and demolished in all directions. Fifteen are said to be down on the main post road between here and Meteghan.

One man named Murphy, a few miles away, had one barn completely turned around on its foundation and another was shifted four feet.

During the height of the blow the barn of George Bullerwell at Melbourne caught fire from a spark from the house chimney and with its contents was destroyed.

One man had three tons of hay cocked up in his field, not a spear left. The residents of Plymouth lost about 150 tons of marsh hay carried away by the exceptionally high tide which accompanied the winds.

WOMAN FOUND DEAD.

Woodstock, N. B., Aug. 12.—Mrs. T. Thistle of Centerville, a well-known and highly respected woman, was found dead at her home Friday afternoon from heart failure, aged 35 years. She was a daughter of the late John Bradley of Hartland, and is survived by her husband, five sons, Clair, Eldon, John, Donald and Malcolm, a sister in London, Ont., and one brother, Charles Bradley, of Portland.

HELP!



THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTIFUL AND THE LABORERS ARE FEW

HUNS BOMBARD STRICKEN CITY OF LENS AGAIN

Two Civilians Killed and One Wounded—Enemy Beaten Back Near Lake Doiran.

Paris, Aug. 12.—The communication issued by the war office this evening says: "Today the cannonade assumed at times rather considerable violence in Belgium, in the sector of Hurbais (Aisne) and on both banks of the Meuse (Verdun region)."

"The Germans have directed a scattered artillery fire all over the city of Rheims. Two civilians were killed and one civilian was wounded."

"The day was quiet elsewhere."

"On the night of August 10-11 and during the day of the 11th our aviators on the front in Belgium bombed enemy encampments to the north of the Houthulst Forest and also the stations at Cortemarck and Lichtervelde. A fire was started and violent explosions were observed at Lichtervelde. The aviation ground at Colmar (Upper Alsace) also has received many projectiles."

"Army of the east, August 11: The enemy attempted several attacks near Lake Doiran, in the Cerna bend and in the region between Lakes Presha and Orchida. All the attacks were beaten back. The British troops in the region of Krastall carried out a successful raid on Bulgarian trenches."

his usual rounds of the hotels to see that the bars were closed at 5 o'clock.

Chatham, Aug. 12.—The liquor traffic received a rude shock on Saturday evening when Chief Coughlan went



"Cheerful Charlie;" — No young man can get his innings for his outings without white trousers.

Here in white serge at \$5.75, white serge with hairline stripe at \$5.50, white duck at \$1.50; homespun, \$4.

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the police committee, promised a change before the next meeting and the above is the result. The present council has made the bars close at 5 on Saturdays and at 8 other nights, and was thought to have a very good grip on the situation. Bottle gangs were in evidence on the wharves today.

Sussex, Aug. 10.—Judge Folkins, Simon Friars and W. H. Culbert were in Sydney, C. B., this week attending the annual session of the Maritime Province Grand Lodge of Oddfellows. Mrs. Ora P. King is chaperoning a number of young girls who have gone to Martin's Head to camp. The party includes Olive and Kathleen McKenna, Elsie Thompson, Hazel Hardisty, Helen Dobson, Marjorie and Molly Kennedy.

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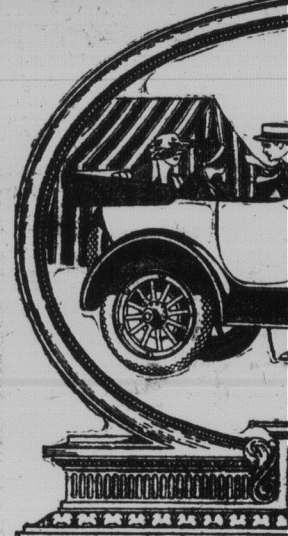
IMMENSE DAMAGE TO TORNADO IN NEW AND NEIGHBORHOODS

Conductor Seriously Injured—Buildings Badly Damaged and Boats Ashore at Yarmouth.

MONCTON GIRL SCOUTS POINT DU CHATEAU

Damage to Crops and Valleys in Land County and Other Sections At Sackville Wind High

Special to The Standard. — Yarmouth, N. S., Aug. 11.—The most destructive storm in recent years struck town yesterday afternoon about three o'clock, doing damage to the extent of hundreds of dollars from a monetary point of view and irreparable damage from the standpoint of beauty. Dozens of the most beautiful trees in town are down and the streets are littered with debris. Trunks of trees, broken glass, pieces of window sashes, roofs, etc., are lying around in all directions. Fortunately no loss of life has resulted, and the only man injured



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