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Ottawa Advices Predict Sweeping Success at Polls for Mackenzie King

Even in Ontario, Hitherto the Conservative Stronghold, the Meighen Prospects Are Not Bright-A Lesson in the Defeat of the Conservative Hearst Government—The Women Not to Be Deceived.

# (Special to The Telegraph.)

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 4-On the eve of voting in the general elections political circles here, regardless of party affiliations, have no doubt of the result. That the government will be defeated is not questioned by any analyst of the situation, while the forecasts of a great Liberal victory on Saturday are amply borne out by the eleventh hour advices from all parts of the country. Claims of the government's propaganda bureau as to the seats they will carry delude neither the electors nor those guilty of the attempt.

A FAIR FORECAST. It is not a difficult situation to figure out. Even on the government's own calculations the maritime provinces will give an adverse majority. It is known, of course, that the maritime provinces will give a magnificent Liberal majority. Quebec will be practically solid against the government. Of that there has never been the remotest doubt. The prairie west is also certain to go against the government, and the premier faces defeat in his own constituency. These provinces in which the government stands little or no chance return 139 mem-



# Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King's Appeal to Electors of Dominion

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Newmarket, Ont., Dec. 4-Hon. W. L. Mackenzle King issued the following statement tonight:

To the electors of Canada: The political campaign now drawing to a close, has demonstrated clearly that, in the exercise of your franchise on December the sixth, you will be called upon to decide, as respects the next five years: 1-Whether the affairs of our country are to continue to be administered by an autocratic executive, indifferent alike to the will of the people and the rights of parliament, as the Meighen administration has been ever since its usurpation of power nearly a year and a half ago; or

2-Whether, at this critical time in our country's affairs and the unsettled condition of other countries, we in Canada, are to experiment in our federal politics with government by class primarily in the interests of class; or 3-Whether we are to have a return to representative and responsible government in the fullest meaning of the words, with a due recognition of the character of the house of commons as a deliberate assembly, and of the supremacy of parliament in all that pertains to our domestic, inter-imperial and international affairs THE DANGER OF OTHER PARTIES.

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A vote for the so-called Progressive party is a vote in favor of government by class: A vote for the Liberal party is a vote in favor of a return to government of the people, by the people, for the people, irrespective of any privilege or special favor.

What Canada needs today is not Meighen, as the premier's publicity bureau asserts; nor any experim with group government, or further attempts at coalitions; but a government of the country's ablest men, broadly representative of all classes and parties of our dominion, and with a mind and purpose of its own. Only by ninistration which in all its policies is propared to avoid the extremes of reaction and radicalism, and which in itself is broadly representative of all the constituent elements of our population-farmers and labor. the business and professional classes, the returned men and others—can we hope to secure, in matters of government, that co-operation between citizens of all occupations and callings which is necessary not less to a due consideration of particular needs than to the advancing of interests held in common, and which, moreover, is an absolute essential of national unity.

If in virtue of the confidence which I believe is about to be expressed by the people of Canada in the Liberal party through its candidates in the several constituencies, I should be called upon as leader of the Liberal party, to form a new government, it will be my supreme aim to see that the administration of the nation's affairs is entrusted to a government of the character described; that a spirit of moderation and toleration is evidenced in the furtherance of all its policies; and that, in the expenditure of public monies, publicity is substituted for secrecy, as the only effective means of ensuring honesty, economy, and efficiency in matters of national

(Signed) W. L. MACKENZIE KING.

Tory spillers of wasted ink to attempt to frighten the electorate with the claim

Government Cannot Be Sure of Single Seat in the Province

Certain Gains for Liberal Party Indicated By Preelection Survey of Situation—Liberals Have Been Gaining Steadily in Every Part of the Province—How They Stand in the Various Constituencies.

That the Meighen government will be defeated before another day has passed has been conceded; that New Brunswick will contribute its share towards that defeat is indicated with equal certainty by a review of the situation on the eve of the election. Reports indicate that there is not one seat in the province which the government supporters can claim with positive assurance; they know that their candidates face defeat in at least six of the eleven constituencies and their only consolation is to be found in estimating which, if any, of the remaining five they can hope to save from the wreckage.

For the Liberals of the province the prospect is vastly more cheering. The party is assured not only of retaining the seats which were represented in the last House by Liberal members, but of certain gains in other constituencies. As the election has approached, day by day the reports from the Liberal leaders in all parts of the province have indicated steady gains; seats which had been regarded as dougtful earlier in the campaign have been transferred to the column of certain successes by those closely in touch with public opinion and there is now no constituency in the province in which the Liberals have not at least a good fighting chance.

