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The Greenfield Government is tottering. I am told Greenfield himself is sick of the job. Anything is likely to happen in that province now.

I suppose you have heard of Fielding's collapse. He took quite an active part in the Halifax campaign, and celebrated his 75th birthday at a big meeting. He returned to Ottawa, went to bed, and is still there. There is really nothing the matter with him, I am told, except old age and exhaustion. His family are quite anxious that he get out altogether as they fear a return of public life will finish him. Robb is Acting Minister. I do not see who is to take his place. Most people say that we can lick anything they put up in Ontario. They are also somewhat leery of the Maritime provinces so it looks as if they would be very nearly forced to go to Quebec. I don't think that would help them very much. What they may do is have a Cabinet shuffle and leave an Acting Minister for one of the other departments, and in this way avoid any more by-elections.

By the way, you will be interested to know that King has still another Secretary. His name is Gliddens. He was secretary to King in the Labour Department. He is now over in the P.M.'s office.

The gallant Captain pays us periodical visits, and in a

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