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## LEGISLATURE PROROGUES AFTER MOST SUCCESSFUL SESSION

(Continued from page 1)  
Lieut.-Col. Harrison, acting A. D. C. and Mr. William Cruikshank private secretary, composed His Honor's staff, while Sheriff Howe also attended. The occasion was marked by a speech by Lieutenant-Governor Wood, which was decidedly a new departure from the formal prostration speeches of the past, as he reviewed legislation and dealt at some length and in more than a formal way with some of the matters which had been considered during the session.

In addition to the appearance of Col. Harrison in khaki service uniform there were other things to remind members and the small gathering of spectators in the galleries of the great struggle on the European battlefields in which the heroism of the Canadians had been such a conspicuous feature. A resolution to be forwarded to Major Percy A. Guthrie, M. L. A., for York, now in the trenches in Belgium, was passed, and Premier Clarke, after making announcement that official news had come that Canada's First Division, or part of it, had been in the latest fighting around Arras.

A resolution expressing appreciation of the gallant work of our boys in fighting for the Empire, and conferred sympathy to the bereaved families instructing the Agent General of the province in London to do everything possible to add to the comfort of New Brunswick boys under treatment at hospitals in England.

The St. John Valley Railway bill, which had its third reading this morning, was assented to by the Lieutenant Governor along with other bills this afternoon, and was especially referred to in His Honor's speech.

Commodore Stewart was not in evidence today, having at last reports retreated in disorder, after having been outmanoeuvred by Attorney-General Baxter, who was leading the Government last night when the Commodore started to put into operation his plan of obstruction to the St. John Valley Railway bill.

Fredericton, N. B., May 5.—When the house resumed at three o'clock Mr. Woods presented the final report of the contingencies committee.

Mr. Tilley moved, seconded by Mr. Young, the following resolution:

"Members of this legislative assembly before proroguing today, take this opportunity of extending to its fellow member, Major Percy A. Guthrie, M. L. A., now fighting in Belgium for the maintenance of the British Empire, its warmest regards and appreciation and beg to wish him God-speed and a safe return."

"That a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the clerk of the house to Major Guthrie."

Mr. White, Victoria, seconded by Mr. Jones, moved the following resolution, which was adopted:

"Resolved, that this house in receiving the report of the commissioners appointed under Chapters 12 and 13, Acts 1914, desire to express its satisfaction at the completeness of the inquiry, there being no disposition to restrict; but the commission made the investigation open, full and complete. We note with satisfaction that in the timber charges the commissioners find that the Hon. J. K. Fleming is not guilty as charged by Mr. Dugal. The railway charges were, in brief, that a large sum amounting to from six to eight hundred thousand dollars had been diverted from the purposes for which the money was provided and used for purposes other than the construction of the railway. Full investigation and the production of all accounts, vouchers, etc., has led the commissioners to report that that charge falls completely to the ground."

"We also concur in the finding of the commission as follows: "That John Kennedy in June, 1912, contributed \$2,000 to a campaign fund, which finding was evidently based on the evidence of John Kennedy and others that the said Kennedy on that date handed to the Hon. J. K. Fleming a sealed package containing the said amount, which package was by the said Fleming handed over to the finance committee of a campaign fund without breaking the seals of the package or examining the contents thereof."

"That Kennedy obtained his contract from the St. John and Quebec Railway Company in May, 1912, a month before this payment was made; that subsequently in September, 1912, Kennedy took over from the Hubbard Company some thirty miles of their contract, but in the language of the commissioners' report at that time he paid the money he had no thought of

## The Lion's Whelp!



obtaining the last mentioned contract, for the work was then being done by others, and there was apparently no reason for thinking that those then carrying it on would not complete it. There is no doubt, we think, that when the payment in question was made it had no connection in the minds of either party obtaining a second contract such as was afterwards entered into.

A bill to provide an annuity of \$400 for Mrs. George N. Babbitt, whose husband had spent over fifty years in the provincial secretary's office, was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. Clarke said that he had just been advised that the Canadian division, or at least a portion of the troops with the British expeditionary forces in France had been engaged in another battle in the vicinity of Arras, and regarding which little information had as yet come to Canada. It had been officially learned at Canadian militia headquarters at Ottawa, that although the losses were not nearly so heavy as in the previous heavy fighting at Langemarck, the list of casualties among the troops from the Dominion had been materially added to. It was gratifying, however, to learn that Canadians on the firing line in this latest battle had conducted themselves with that valor and undaunted bravery which had distinguished their record throughout the war.

While he would be unable to speak at length on the matter at this time, he desired to draw attention to the fact that the people of Canada from end to end appreciated the gallantry displayed by their immediate fellow countrymen facing danger and death in fighting for the Empire of which all were so proud to belong, and he felt that the legislature should pass a resolution expressing their appreciation of the valiant work of the Canadian troops and sympathy for families of New Brunswick men who had fallen, and also conveying to the Agent-General of the province in London instructions to have every thing possible done for the comfort of wounded men from this province under treatment in hospitals in England and to make the stay of New Brunswick boys in training with various Canadian units in the motherland before proceeding to the front as pleasant as circumstances would allow. He would have such resolution, if passed, formally prepared and transmitted in due course.

Mr. Slipp moved, seconded by Mr. Munro, the following resolution: "That members of this Legislative Assembly before proroguing today, take this opportunity of extending to Hon. Walter B. Dickson, speaker of this house, who, we deeply regret, has been prevented by illness from attending this session, our warmest regards and appreciation and beg to wish him an early and complete recovery."

## Lieutenant Governor Prorogues House

"That a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the clerk of this house to honorable speaker."

His Honor Lieutenant Governor then entered the chamber and after assenting to number of bills addressed the house as follows:

"Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of Legislative Assembly: In bringing the present session to a close, I desire to thank you for the zeal and diligence you have given to the discharge of your legislative duties. I greatly appreciate your patriotic action in approving of the expenditure of \$150,000 made during recess by my government for relief of distress caused by the European war. Several of the municipalities, cities and towns have since the war broke out contributed generously to the Canadian Patriotic Fund, Belgium Relief Fund and other movements of a similar character. Your legislation ratifies what has been done, and also confers upon municipalities, cities and towns of the province generally authority to give such future aid as they may desire to these worthy and patriotic objects. The small amount thus added to local taxation will, I feel sure, be cheerfully paid by the people."

"Among important legislation of the session I would direct your attention to the amendment and consolidation of the Liquor License Act. This Act imposes increased restrictions upon the liquor traffic and, I trust, may yet have the effect of lessening excessive indulgence in alcoholic liquors and evils resulting therefrom. Other important measures are the revision and consolidation of the Probate Court Act, and law relating to succession duties and absent concealed and absconding debtors; act relating to highways act, act respecting the St. John and Quebec Railway Company and various acts relating to agriculture, all of which I trust will be for the benefit of the country at large and welfare and prosperity of the people."

"I also thank you for the liberal provision you have made for several important services of the province. I cannot take leave of you on this occasion without calling attention to the pride we all feel that the loyal citizens of this province have so promptly responded to the Empire's call in this time of her need and that so many are today facing danger and death upon the field of battle."

"I desire to express my sympathy with the parents and friends of those whose lives have been sacrificed and trust that their great burden of sorrow and grief may be lightened by the thought that the lives of their dear ones were given to maintain the sacred cause of human liberty and honorable traditions of the British race. I now relieve you from your legislative duties and assure you that you have my sincere wishes for your individual happiness and prosperity."

The acting clerk then announced that it was His Honor's will and pleasure that the legislative assembly be prorogued until the 10th day of June next.

## FUNERALS.

David Witney  
Newcastle, May 15.—The funeral of David Witney of Whitteville, whose wife died on the 20th. ult., was held yesterday, interment in the Presbyterian cemetery at Whitteville. Rev. J. F. McCurdy conducted services. The pallbearers were Messrs. James

Hiram and Fred Whitney, James Young, John Keating and Edward Deennett. Deceased died on Sunday and was eighty-nine years of age. He leaves following children: James of Seville, Mrs. Alex. Sherrard, Bonn Road; Moses, Newcastle; Allen of Whitteville, and Miss Susan at home.

The death of Mrs. Elizabeth Robertson, widow of late Donald Robertson of Tabusintac occurred yesterday at the home of her brother, Jas. McCullum, Tabusintac. She was eighty-four years of age. Four brothers survive: James McCullum, Tabusintac; John in Wiscornin, William of Newcastle, and Eubulus of Douglastown. Funeral tomorrow.

## HOTEL ARRIVALS

Victoria.

Wm Smith, St. Martins; Archie Cronk, do; C P Griffin, Truro; N C MacLean, Toronto; E Crandall, Vancouver; E M Crotty, McAdam; M Atkinson, Fredericton; Wm Golding, Fairville; John T O'Brien, do; G Earl Logan, Beaufort; Felix Rodriques, Antigua; Mrs C T Parker, do; C S Mealey, Antigonish; Jas Pringle, Armory; E S Brodie, Gagetown; C A Scott, Amherst; John Kennedy, Salisbury; W M Swornsbourne, City; Mr and Mrs H L Calbert, S Side; J Fred Perry, Cods, N B; Geo M Thorne and wife, do; Hugh R Lawrence, St George; Geo E Frauley, do; Mrs Geo E Frauley, do; Miss Frauley, do; W A Boyle, New York.

## Royal.

J F Edgett, Moncton; Mrs R Connolly, Miss Connolly, Great Salmon River; I W Lannin, Boston; J McGillivray, Inverness; Mrs Godfrey, Annapolis Royal; W H Stevens, Windsor; C E Williams, Lt., Halifax; J T Rhodes, Toronto; W H Owen, G Wolfville; H Ogler, Kentville; A G Moulton, Boston; A R. Danphine, Halifax; W M Johnston, W H D Murray, Montreal; H L Sherwood, Ottawa; F M LeBlanc, J H McAfee, Montreal; W Nichols and wife, Yarmouth; Major P S Benoit, Capt J P Jago, Halifax; Miss E Hall, Ottawa; R D Richardson and wife, Chipman; B L Tucker, Miss H M Munford, Mrs F Munford, Parrsboro; W Stewart, S Side.

## AWAITING REPORT.

Washington, May 4.—President Wilson discussed briefly with his cabinet today the torpedoing of the American steamer Gulfport off the Scilly Islands, but in the absence of a detailed report on the incident no policy was formulated.

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There was a good attendance of Company A of the Home Guards in their drill room in the Custom House last night. The chief feature of the evening was a presentation of a purse of gold to Lieut.-Col. Blaine, Col. Blaine has been a frequent visitor to the drills during the past few months and has proved of most valuable assistance to the Guards in their work.

Shortly after Col. Blaine arrived in the hall last night Lieut.-Adjutant H. L. McGowan called the Guards to attention and then put them through a rifle drill. The rifles were then put away and the company was taken in charge by Col. Blaine, who put them through a number of movements and after forming them into a hollow square he complimented them on their knowledge of drill.

After he had finished his complimentary remarks Col. Blaine was given a great surprise when Captain W. E. Raymond, in a brief address, spoke of the valuable assistance that the Colonel had been to the company since its organization. Major D. H. Waterbury then took charge of the proceedings and presented Lieut. Col. Blaine with the following address:

St. John, N. B., May 5, 1915.  
To Lieut.-Col. Arthur Blaine:— Esteemed Friend and Fellow Citizen.—We, the officers and men of Company "A" Home Guards, of St. John, N. B., desire to take this opportunity to express to you our appreciation of your kindly interest and assistance in the organization and advancement of our company, which has profited so much, not only by your personal influence and instructions, but also, in this community, by your military prestige.

We recall with much pleasure the evidence of interest in the company and the physical ability requisite on the part of a gentleman of your advanced age to urge you nearly every week through the past winter to leave your cosy corner at home and make your way, often through stormy weather, to our drill hall, where, with untiring effort, you endeavored to impart to us a knowledge of military tactics.

It may be, as some no doubt think, and as we hope, that there is or shall be no necessity for such a company of Home Guards as you have been instrumental in putting into shape, but we however, realize with some degree of satisfaction, that this company of about sixty men can be relied on, in any case of emergency, to assist in the organization and protection of citizens, and individually to shoulder a rifle and aim with a degree of accuracy that would find a target as small, at least, as a degenerate Kaiser's bulk or that of any of his deluded barbarians.

Colonel Blaine, in asking you to accept this small token of our respect and appreciation of your efforts, we are quite aware that it in no wise represents proportionately the esteem in which we hold you, but is more representative in quality, being of solid gold.

Signed on behalf of the Company and your friends,  
D. H. WATERBURY, Major,  
W. E. RAYMOND, Captain,  
R. W. W. FRINK, Lieut.  
WM. MURDOCH, Lieut.  
H. L. MCGOWAN, Lieut.-Adjt.  
C. E. LORDLY, Sergeant,  
John B. JONES, Sergeant,  
A. J. GROSS, Quartermaster,  
J. W. CAMERON, Ensign.

Lieut. R. W. W. Frink then made a brief address, and on behalf of the officers and men of the company handed a purse of gold to the Colonel. Col. Blaine was taken by surprise and thanked the members of the company for their appreciation of his services. He said that it had always been a pleasure for him to give them every assistance possible and would continue to be a help to them at all times.

The company gave three cheers and a tiger and finished with a song Rule Britannia by Charles Calvert, and the singing of Auld Lang Syne by the Guards.

## E. N. RHODES NOMINATED AT LARGELY ATTENDED MEETING IN AMHERST

Special to The Standard.  
Amherst, May 5.—At the largest and most enthusiastic Liberal-Conservative convention ever held in Cumberland County, the present representative, E. N. Rhodes was again nominated for federal honors.

The convention opened at 2.30 p. m. with the president of the county association, Mr. Percy C. Black, presiding. Resolutions were passed endorsing the administration of Sir Robert Laird Borden and endorsing the leadership of Charles T. Tanner in the local field. Further resolutions were passed thanking E. N. Rhodes, M. P., for services to the county during the past eight years in which he has been a member of parliament.

Mr. Rhodes on entering the convention hall was given a great ovation. He spoke for about an hour dealing with a number of issues affecting Cumberland county and also telling the

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general policy of the government. Mr. Rhodes said the Liberal party talked a truce but the Liberals of Cumberland county had met in convention placing a candidate in the field and while talking truce were engaged in sniping at the Conservative party. The tactics that were being pursued over Cumberland County were being practiced all over Canada.

While Sir R. L. Borden and his colleagues were carrying burdens heavier than ever placed upon any public men in Canada the Liberal party were endeavoring to manufacture all the political ammunition they possibly could to injure the government. The work of the government had been rendered abortive and operative by the actions of the senate. The good roads measure which had meant much for Nova Scotia had been killed by a servile Liberal majority in the senate. The naval bill which had been modelled after the suggestion of Winston Churchill met the same fate.

The redistribution bill had been altered by the senate at the dictation of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and it was not surprising if Sir R. L. Borden should ask the people of Canada for a mandate to carry on his the government by the whole of the people. Mr. Rhodes' address was enthusiastically applauded.

Representative delegates were present from all over Cumberland to the number of about two hundred and fifty.

The parish hall was filled to the doors, many being unable to gain admission.



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