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Editorial

NORTHUMBERLAND

The result of the by-election in Northumberland is disappointing to opponents of the Government and friends of Maritime Rights, but it is by no means disheartening. The Liberals had a majority of more than fourteen hundred in the general election of 1921. After the defeats in Halifax and Kent the Government could not afford to lose another seat in the Maritimes, if it could be avoided by any of the devices known to political organization. Northumberland has been Liberal for the last twenty years with the exception of the war-time election of 1917 in which Mr. Loggie, a Liberal, was returned as a supporter of the Union Government. And yet we had the spectacle, without parallel in the political history of Canada of the Premier and four of his Cabinet Ministers going into a single constituency, campaigning madly to save it for the Government. After all this effort the Liberal majority is reduced something like eight hundred.

Such a result means certain defeat for the Government in Northumberland when the general election is brought on. Northumberland is in line with the rest of the country. Every by-election in the last two years has gone against the Government. Halifax and Kent elected Conservatives in place of Liberal members. In Cape Breton North and Victoria the Liberal majority of over ten thousand was wiped out. In North Essex in Ontario a Liberal majority of over seven thousand was reduced to about one thousand. In the St. Antoine division of Montreal the Liberal majority of nearly four thousand was reduced to less than eight hundred, while in Kimouski County, Quebec, the Liberal majority was reduced by more than three thousand. In this situation any honorable government would resign and make a general appeal to the people. The Premier of South Africa only a few months ago gave up office because of one or two adverse by-election results. Though he had a clear majority in Parliament, Premier Smuts said the by-elections left doubt as to whether his government had the confidence of the electorate, and he took the only manly course open to him. Premier King has no Liberal majority at his back in Parliament, but having made a bargain with the Western Progressives for their support, he says he will not resign. He says that he will not resign because he has a majority in Parliament, but a fact of which there is no doubt in the estimation of his seat

in the Cabinet of Sir Lomer Gouin, the former minister of Justice, by the resignation of his seat in Parliament of Hon. Robert McChell, and by the declarations in Parliament of Mr. Marler, Mr. McRae and other prominent Liberal members.

Mr. Hickey made a good, clean fight in Northumberland under adverse circumstances that could scarcely prevail in a general election. The Conservatives here should now perfect their organization in anticipation of the greater contest to come.

THE BATTLE FOUGHT AND WON

The Northumberland County by-election to fill the vacancy in the Federal Parliament made vacant by the lamented death of Hon. John Morley, is past and gone. The battle has been fought, and won, with Mr. Snowball of Chatham, the winner. To Mr. Snowball, the Advocate while politically opposed to him, offers its hearty congratulations, on his election. To Mr. Hickey, the Conservative candidate, the Advocate also extends its congratulations on his splendid showing. In this, his first political fight, the campaign was often throughout, utterly devoid of personalities and both candidates are deserving of much commendation for the spirited yet friendly manner in which they conducted the election.

The Liberals naturally are well pleased with themselves over the result, but at the same time the Conservative candidate and party workers have much reason to be proud of the magnificent vote, which their party received from the electorate of the county. It is a great victory for the Conservative party to reduce a former Liberal majority by some 800 votes particularly in a by-election, when usually all odds are against the opposition.

The Conservatives were confronted with the organization, prestige and "sinews of war" of both the Provincial and Federal Parliaments and the array of orators brought in to the county to save the Liberals from defeat was unprecedented. These forces were all actively set in motion throughout the county in behalf of Mr. Snowball, the Liberal candidate and the wonder is, that the majority was not twice the size that it was.

On the other hand, Mr. Hickey was practically dependent on his own resources and the assistance of his local party supporters, both on the platform and in his canvassing support. As is usually the case many of those who before the campaign opens, are the loudest, when the time for real work arrives are weighed in the balance and found wanting.

In Newcastle, Nelson and Chatham Head and several other polls, Mr. Hickey polled a magnificent vote while in Chatham, Doaktown and other polls he did not get the support he had been led to believe he would receive. In Rogersville a much better showing was made than in 1921; while Neguac, Tabusintac and Portage River fell far below the mark expected of these polls.

The result of the election should be by no means considered a defeat by the Conservatives of this county. The party should now get together and perfect their organization for the general election which will probably be held next year. One of the first things the Conservative Party of this county should make up its mind to is, that whatever success it is going to have will be achieved by the workers of the party who reside in the county and insofar as any assistance it might hope to get from those outside with the exception of possibly one or two gentlemen, who will probably be busy in their own constituencies.

tuencies when a general election is called, will practically amount to nothing. Some of these would-be big provincial political chieftains are always willing and ready to take the credit, when the issue is successful, but they do little or nothing in assisting the party when the fight is on. More workers and less shirkers are wanted. Arm chair critics and fireside heroes never yet won a battle.

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If your dealer does not keep these pills you can get them by mail at 50 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

LABOR MAKING  
BID FOR SUPPORT  
OF THE LIBERALS

London, Oct. 13.—Labor has followed the example of the Conservatives in making a bid to the Liberals for a working agreement during the election and is trying to arrange with those Liberals who voted with Labor on the Campbell issue and generally supported Mac Donald throughout the last session to withdraw their candidates in those ridings where a three cornered fight is scheduled.

Labor continues to assert that Lord Beaverbrook is arranging for a meeting of Liberals and Conservatives at his home in Leatherhead familiar in the past for intrigues in coalition.

The object of such a meeting it is claimed, is to try and get Liberals and Conservatives together in order to make a bid for the support of the Conservatives. The Conservatives, however, by insisting on the withdrawal of their candidates in those ridings where a three cornered fight is scheduled, are making it impossible for such a meeting to take place.

CAMPBELLTON LINE  
NEARLY COMPLETED

The work on the hydro transmission line is being hurried along as fast as it is possible for the men to work and we understand the line will be completed at an early date.

The town's portion of the work of placing the poles from Metapedia is now down well within the town limits and it is expected to have the poles all in readiness for wiring by the end of this week. We understand that work at the other end is now all completed to within 20 miles of Metapedia. It is estimated that this part of the work is coming along at the rate of about 2 miles a day and if this be correct, connection with the Metapedia end will be made in about 10 days.

The three transformers which we understand have cost in the vicinity of \$17,000—to be used here have arrived and are at the power house. These transformers we are told were freighted at 36,000 pounds or approximately six tons each with a 6,000 volt capacity and that each will hold eight barrels of oil.

The half inch aluminum wire with steel centre is now here and is placed at different points along the line in readiness to be strung as soon as the work of placing the poles is finished. There are also three steel towers to be erected at different points along the water front from the point where the line will cross the C.N.R. track which will be as near as can be learned, somewhere in the vicinity

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of Miller's mill. From there down the pole line will run along the river front connecting with the steel towers to the power house. There is some little material yet which the town is waiting for, but the manager of the Electric Light and Power System feels confident the hydro line can be turned on at later than the middle of November.

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