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But, under the circumstances I determined that the Government was right, and I determined to place at its disposal whatever influence I had with my fellow-countrymen. I have loyally supported all the war measures of the Government, have appealed to all classes of my fellow-citizens to rise to the occasion and do their share, not only in contributing money, but in the ranks by doing battle for the great cause. And I am here today for the same purpose and object, to appeal to my fellow-countrymen of all origins to do their duty, and ask all who can go to take their places amongst those who are contending for the cause of civilization on the fields of France and Flanders.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier at Brome.

HUGHES AND ALLISON.

Commenting upon the recent deprivation by the government of the honorary colonelcy bestowed upon J. Wesley Allison, the Manitoba Free Press says that the situation is an awkward one for General Sir Sam Hughes, in view of his continued championship of Allison after the evidence submitted to the Meredith-Duff commission had revealed him for the self-seeker that he was. Speaking in the House of Commons, Sir Sam expressed his opinion that Allison "had more honor in his little finger than the Auditor General had in his whole carcass." Later, before the Davidson commission, he declared that Mr. Allison held a greater reputation before the country than did the examining counsel, Hartley Dewart. On May 31, a date subsequent to the revelation of Allison's toll-taking activities, Gen. Sir Sam Hughes, giving evidence before the Meredith-Duff commission, was cross-examined by E. F. B. Johnston as to the effect which these revelations had had upon the general's confidence in the honorary colonel. This is what General Hughes said under this cross-examination:

E. F. B. Johnston—You heard Mr. Allison give his evidence the other day, did you not?

General Hughes—I think so. Yes. Question—You heard the substance of it?

Answer—I expect so.

Q.—Having heard his statement, is your feeling toward Mr. Allison at all changed?

A.—Not a particle; it is strengthened.

Q.—Strengthened by what he said, and still worthy of more trust and confidence on your part if you choose to give it to him?

A.—I know of no man in this room I would rather trust than Allison today, and that is saying a good deal.

Q.—I don't know—including the lawyers—

A.—There are lots in this room besides the lawyers.

Q.—I ask you if your confidence and trust have been strengthened by hearing this evidence?

A.—It has.

Q.—And being so strengthened, I suppose you would continue to trust him just the same as you formerly have done, and even more so if necessary?

A.—I have told you I won't answer hypothetical questions. If you put your questions in proper English form I will answer them; not otherwise.

Q.—Would you trust him still further?

A.—I would.

Here we have Sir Sam Hughes, after he was in possession of all the evidence which induced the Meredith-Duff Commission to pass its severe censure upon Allison, declaring that his regard for him had been strengthened and that there was not a man in the room whom he would sooner trust, thus putting Allison on a par with the commissioners themselves. Sir Sam wound up his evidence on this point by declaring that despite what had been revealed, he would "trust Allison still further."

The action of the Dominion government of depriving Allison of his commission is, of course, a further vindication, if this were necessary, of the propriety of the course followed by George W. Kytte, M. P., in making in parliament statements which brought about the investigation before the Meredith-Duff commission.

Visitors to the city yesterday included Mr. Titus Carter, M. P. P., of Andover, and Mr. J. L. White, M. P. P., of Grand Falls. Mr. Carter is anxious to become a forecast member of the Local Government and the object of his visit was to press his claims on Premier Clarke. Mr. White came along to support Mr. Carter in his demands. As the mover of the Flemming white-wash resolution in the Legislature, Mr. White naturally feels that he has con-

siderable influence with the administration. The Premier, as usual, stood off the delegation with a promise of consideration.

Halifax Chronicle: The supporters of the present Dominion government have not failed to take a hand in provincial politics whenever the opportunity arose. The full strength of the Dominion government was exerted in the recent provincial election in Nova Scotia. The people of Nova Scotia gave their answer, and it was no uncertain answer. In the Westmorland and Perth elections the Dominion government made efforts equally great, but the verdict was against it. Now Tory Toronto has registered its verdict which is equally condemnatory. No amount of specious argument will convince anybody that the fate of the Borden government is not sealed.

The Opposition are demanding that the vacancies in the New Brunswick Legislature be filled at once. Acting under the provisions of an Act passed last session, papers have been served on the clerk of the crown in chancery, calling upon him to issue the writs without delay. The government will probably find some way of evading its own law and thus putting off the evil day as long as possible.

## ON THE SIDE.

Has yer sunburn peeled off yet?

"Summer beverages"—and some 'er not.

When some women marry they not only takes the man's name, but everything else he has worth taking.

Germany is said to have discovered a "gas" substitute. They do not use it in their war reports, however.

You never know what you can do till you make a good try. But for the dogs no cat would ever know how fast it can run.

An optimist is one who gets his pay check and then goes out and looks over the different kinds of automobiles standing around the block.

For every person you meet who has the stitch-in-time way of thinking, you will run across 999 whose attitude is "aw, let 'er rip!"

C'mon in—the water's fine. Better do your goin' in while the goin' in's good.

I stood by the river one afternoon when the crowd went in to swim, and I noted the queer arrangement of torso and neck and limb.

Some bathers billowed inward where they should have billowed out; and where they needed slimmest most, they nearly all were stout.

And few there were among them who were built along a line which would let their shapes be listed with the famous "form divine."

And I thought, as they entered the water and the waves grew torn and riled, that the funny things that bathed in them was what made the waves so wild.



## SUBMARINE BREMEN EN ROUTE TO U. S.

London, Aug. 24.—The departure for America a week ago of the German submarine Bremen is reported in a despatch from Bremen as forwarded from The Hague by the Exchange Telegraph Co.

It is said that owners of the Deutschland and the Bremen received word seven days ago of the progress being made by the Deutschland on her return voyage, and that it was not until they had obtained this information that they permitted the Bremen to depart.

The Deutschland took the same route on both her voyages, the despatch says, returning to Germany by the North Sea. Captain Paul Koenig of the Deutschland is being feted as a national hero and has been summoned to Emperor William's headquarters to report on the voyage.

## FOREST FIRES RAGING IN QUEBEC

Quebec, Aug. 23.—The bush fires are still raging furiously in the Lake St. John region, in the Seigniory behind Murray Bay, behind Canard river, between Bergeron and Escumiac, at St. Jean, at Cape Trinity, along the Peribonka river and in the national park, and unless rain comes very soon there is every indication that there will be another devastation such as occurred in 1840.

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## ENJOYABLE DAY SPENT AT EXPERIMENTAL STATION

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A very enjoyable day was spent at the Dominion Experimental Station in this city by the delegates from various parts of the province who visited the station at Doak under the auspices of the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association. Several hundred farmers and farmers' wives were present, many coming in motor cars.

The morning was spent in inspection of buildings and grounds, and the magnificent array of flours forming a border along the road to the river was much admired. The growing crops were pronounced above the average and the live stock is in good condition. An acre of flax, exactly the same as that raised for the manufacture of linen, was falling before the scythe.

After dinner the large crowd was addressed by George F. Fisher, president of the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association; Director Hubbard and Mr. Grisdale, while E. S. Archibald, of the Dominion husbandry department, and G. C. Cunningham, Dominion plant pathologist, conducted demonstrations in live stock and plant growth respectively. Mr. Fisher spoke on behalf of the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association, putting forward as its aim the recruiting of 1,000 members next year.

Mr. Hubbard spoke of what had been accomplished, but said that the real work of value had not been begun.

With average soil and average climatic conditions, it should be possible to greatly aid the farmers in the testing of varieties of grain, etc.

Mr. Grisdale spoke of the neglected opportunities for live stock raising in New Brunswick and said that the experimental farm was one of the means towards giving greater attention to this profitable side of agriculture.

All the speakers expressed the conviction that the outing should become an annual event and the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association was heartily congratulated on the success of the first venture.

## KING OF BAVARIA SERIOUSLY ILL

Paris, Aug. 24.—King Ludwig III. of Bavaria, has been stricken with apoplexy and his condition is grave, according to a report from Switzerland, says a Rome despatch to the Petit Parisien.

King Ludwig III. is 71 years old. He married the Archduchess Marie Therese of Austria and ascended the Bavarian throne in 1913. He was appointed a field marshal of the Bavarian Army last year, and visited the Bavarian troops on the battle line in France in January.

a strong wind might start up when nothing could be done to save the villages.



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