

The moribund Conservative Government of British Columbia received another black eye on Saturday, when the City of Victoria, by a majority of 2297 elected Mr. H. C. Brewster, the opposition leader, to the Legislature over Hon. A. C. Flumerfelt, Minister of Finance. Flumerfelt was called to the cabinet a few weeks ago and sought re-election to the seat vacated by Sir Richard McBride, who had the good judgment to escape from the Government while the going was good. The Bowser government received a knock-down blow a week ago, when Hon. C. E. Tisdale, Minister of Public Works, was defeated in Vancouver by a majority of 4,500. The defeat of another Minister in Victoria surely ought to be accepted by Bowser and his gang of plunderers as notice to quit. Mr. Brewster, who is a native of Albert County, New Brunswick, was a candidate in Victoria five years ago and was defeated by a majority of 1200. This means that in the by-election of Saturday there was an overturn of about 3,500 votes.

POTATO PRICES.

A Woodstock despatch states that what few potatoes are coming into the Woodstock market are selling at \$2.40 and \$2.50 a barrel. Farmers are holding out for higher prices.



Scores of men at the front have written home to friends and relations asking for Zam-Buk. They need it to apply to chapped hands, cold cracks, frost bites, chilblains, cold sores, stiff joints, and other similar ailments incidental to trench life. These ailments, although not serious enough to unfit a man for duty, cause him endless pain, and the soldier who is supplied with Zam-Buk will be saved much unnecessary suffering. Nothing stops pain like Zam-Buk: nothing draws out the soreness and heals so quickly. For hands, sore and blistered after trench-digging, Zam-Buk is splendid, and applications of Zam-Buk to the feet before long marches will prevent the feet from becoming sore and blistered. The letters below illustrate the soldier's need and appreciation of Zam-Buk.

Private J. R. Smith of the "Princess Pats" writes: "Tell my friends, if they want to help me, to send Zam-Buk."

Sapper G. T. Webster, 2nd Field Co., Canadian Engineers, writes: "You can have no idea how much we appreciate Zam-Buk out here. It is splendid for sores, cuts, bruises, sprains, etc."

Shoebing-Smith McIlwraith, of the 2nd Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, writes from France: "I have used Zam-Buk for 14 years in the British Army in South Africa, India and France, and have never found its equal. There is no fear of blood-poisoning from cuts or scratches if Zam-Buk is applied. The trouble is that Zam-Buk is too scarce out here—our friends should send us more of it."

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MORE BELGIANS ARE COURT-MARTIALLED

Amsterdam, March 4.—The Handelsblad says that the German court martial in Brussels has sentenced three more Belgians, one of whom was a woman, to imprisonment with hard labor. Marguerite Blankaret was sentenced to prison for life for treasonable acts against the German administration, a former policeman named Alexander Daume to two years for issuing false passports, and Gustaaf Miennelet to one year for hiding soldiers.

When a man begins dodging his creditors, he realizes how small the world is.

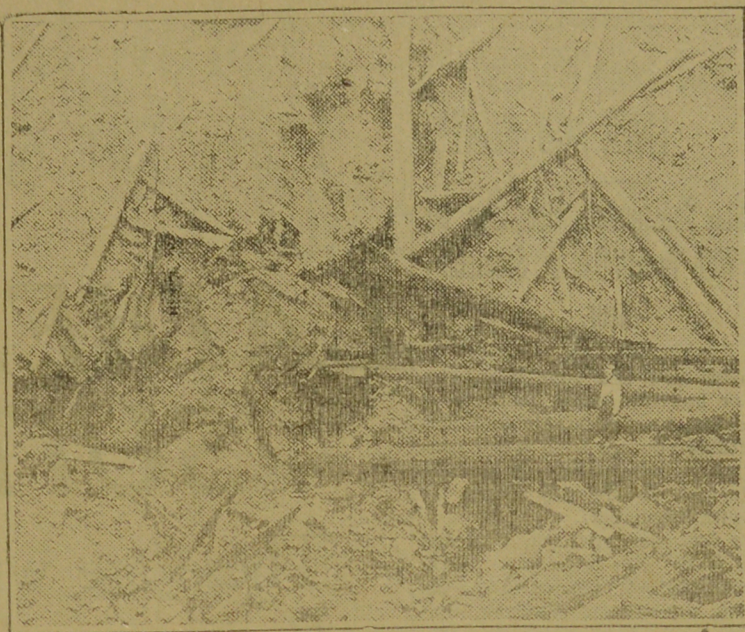
FREDERICTON PRISONERS SPENT NIGHT AT MONCTON

(Moncton Times)

Ptes. Roy Garnett of this city, and James L. Morrison of St. John, both members of the 140th Battalion up en route to Dorchester from Fredericton, and Harold E. Barker spent the night in the Moncton lock-up, where they were sentenced by Magistrate Limerick to do terms in the Dorchester penitentiary. Chief John McCollom and Officer Charles H. Marshall are in charge of the trio and also spent the night in Moncton. The prisoners were brought here on the C.P.R. and were to have been taken to Dorchester on the Ocean Limited, but the latter express was over an hour and a half late, and as the penitentiary gates are closed at six o'clock it would be impossible to lodge the men there last evening. The officers in charge elected to have them placed in the police station here for the night.

Ptes. Garnett and Morrison were found guilty of robbery with violence, and each was under sentence of two years in the penitentiary. Garnett, it will be remembered, played ball in a few games in the local baseball league here last summer.

Barker has operated under different aliases in both New Brunswick and Nova Scotia and was recently rounded up by the Fredericton police. Several months ago he got in some of his fine work in Moncton, and among other places he operated in were Port Hawkesbury, C.B.; Dorchester, Wentworth, Middleton, Sackville, Newcastle, Chatam and Fredericton. He pleaded guilty before Magistrate Limerick to four charges of obtaining goods under false pretences and one of theft.



After the fire—The graveyard of the forest, showing the wreckage of trees and soil. This patch of forest can be counted out for at least fifty years, and possibly forever.

The right kind of a girl doesn't need the advantages of leap year. Water on the brain isn't the result of a thirst for knowledge.

The poorer the parents the more romantic names their children have. Some people wear glasses because they can't believe their own eyes.

Opposition Platform

The following platform was adopted at the Opposition Convention held in St. John recently: In the event of the Opposition being returned to power, we pledge ourselves:—

NO PARTIZAN CONTROL OF CROWN LANDS.

1. We pledge ourselves to completely reorganize the Crown Lands Department, so that its administration shall be entirely severed from politics and administered on sound business principles under systematic plans by a non-partizan commission specially appointed for that purpose, responsible to the Legislature and working in co-operation with the Dominion Commission of Conservation.

TAKE THE HIGHWAYS OUT OF POLITICS.

2. We pledge ourselves to take the highways out of politics, giving the expenditure of the money collected from the people and the control of the labor, together with the Government appropriations, into the hands of supervisors, chosen by the people of each parish, to whom a detailed and audited account must be rendered every year at the annual meeting, and a duplicate thereof forwarded to the Department of Public Works, the work of the supervisors to be under the inspection of a competent provincial engineer.

We also pledge ourselves to set aside the money collected from the licenses upon automobiles and other motor vehicles, together with an equal appropriation from the revenues of the Province each year, to pay the interest upon the bonds to provide for permanent roads, which shall be constructed as rapidly as possible. PROHIBITION PROVINCE WIDE.

3. We pledge ourselves at the first session of the Legislature to pass a law prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within the Province to the fullest extent allowed by the Constitution, and within three months after the passage of said Act to submit the same by referendum to the electors of the Province, and should the majority of votes cast be in favor of the said law, then to bring the same into force by proclamation within one year thereafter.

ELECTION LAW.

4. (a) To amend the electoral law so as to make it impossible for members of the Legislature to traffic with the Government and still retain their seats.

(b) To make it possible for young men, when they reach the age of 21 years, to register their names and be placed forthwith upon the voters' lists, instead of waiting for the tedious machinery of revision as it now exists.

(c) To divide the counties into electoral districts which shall each be represented by one member.

(d) We will also consider amendments to the election law to make bribery in municipal as well as provincial elections impossible.

PROVINCIAL FINANCES.

5. To obtain at once a correct statement of the financial condition of the Province in order that the people may have definite knowledge of the vastly increased public debt and the enormous obligations of guaranteed bonds they will be called upon to pay; and to so reduce the cost of the administration of affairs and the number of useless officials as to avoid the necessity for direct taxation now confronting us.

AGRICULTURE.

6. To give the farmers all the practical assistance that the resources of the Province will permit, to improve agricultural methods and the quality and quantity of the stock upon the farm; to reduce the enormous salary list in the department, and to spend the educational grant received from the Federal Government without regard for political patronage.

VALLEY RAILWAY.

7. To complete the Valley Railway from a point on the Transcontinental Railway at or near Grand Falls, to St. John, and insist upon the Dominion Government carrying out the terms of the original legislation and allow the Province forty per cent. of the gross earnings thereof.

EDUCATION.

8. To always maintain and improve the educational service of the Province and to co-operate with the Federal Government in carrying out the recommendations of the commission upon technical education.

IMMIGRATION.

9. The inauguration of a vigorous immigration policy to properly place before intending immigrants, whose number will be large after termination of the war, the advantages of the agricultural possibilities of New Brunswick.

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