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THE NEW MINISTRY.

On February 24th the electors of New Brunswick passed upon the record of the Murray Government, and declared it to be unworthy of a new lease of power. After a delay much greater than was necessary to dispose of "unfinished business," the defeated and discredited administration surrendered the seals of office and His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, in the discharge of his duties as the representative of the Sovereign, called upon Mr. W. E. Foster, the leader of the victorious party and entrusted him with the task of forming a new administration. Hon. Mr. Foster today announced the personnel of his cabinet as follows:

Premier and President of the Council—Hon. W. E. Foster, St. John.

Attorney General—Hon. James P. Byrne, Gloucester.

Provincial Secretary-Treasurer—Hon. Robert Murray, Northumberland.
Minister of Public Works—Hon. Peter J. Veniot, Gloucester.

Minister of Lands and Mines—Hon. Dr. E. A. Smith, Westmorland.

Minister of Agriculture—Hon. J. F. Tweeddale, Victoria.

Without portfolio—Hon. C. W. Robinson, Moncton, Hon. L. A. Dugal, Madawaska, Hon. Dr. F. W. Roberts, St. John.

It will be generally admitted that the new government, which has a mandate from the people to administer the affairs of the province for the next five years, is an exceptionally strong one, thoroughly representative of all sections of the province, and of all elements which make up our population.

The majority of the members have had considerable political experience and we believe that they will strive earnestly to give the province sound, honest and progressive government.

Premier Foster accepts the highest office in the gift of his fellow-countrymen with a full sense of the great responsibility which attaches to it. He entered public life from a high sense of duty and there is not the slightest doubt that he will give the people the best service that is in him. Of the fourteen Premiers which the province has had since Confederation, ten were members of the legal profession, and Mr. Foster is the fourth layman to occupy the position. He takes office at a time when the Empire is engaged in the greatest war in all history, a time when the people surely have a right to expect honest, faithful and loyal service from their public men. As a successful business man with an unblemished reputation, we believe that Premier Foster will measure up to the standard and give this province the best government it has ever known.

Hon. J. P. Byrne, who has been named as Attorney General and legal adviser of the Government, is the first Roman Catholic to occupy that exalted position. Hon. Mr. Byrne was a member of the Legislature for five years and gave good service to the province. He is a sound lawyer, who is held in respect by all classes, and we believe he will make good as chief law officer of the Crown.

Hon. Dr. E. A. Smith, the new Minister of Lands and Mines, belongs to a family which has long been prominent in the public life of this province. His father, the late Mr. Edward Smith, represented Westmorland in the Legislature for some years, while his uncle, the late Sir Albert J. Smith, was undoubtedly one of the ablest men that the province ever produced. Hon. Dr. Smith made his debut into public life in May last, when he contested a by-election in Westmorland and defeated Hon. P. G. Mahoney, who sought re-election after accepting the portfolio of Public Works. At the recent general election he led the poll in the noble county of Westmorland.

Hon. Robert Murray, the Provincial Secretary-Treasurer, will represent the great county of Westmorland in the cabinet. He is a lawyer by profession and is one of the best known and most popular men on the North Shore. He sat in the Legislature for several years and proved himself a most useful member. Premier Foster has been fortunate in securing a man of Hon. Mr. Murray's ability to administer the finances of the province.

Hon. J. F. Tweeddale, who has been chosen for the portfolio of agriculture, is a Fredericton boy who has long been prominent in public life. He is one of Victoria county's most progressive farmers, a man of extraordinary good sense, who can express his views in a forcible and intelligent manner. Hon. Mr. Tweeddale's selection for one of the most important positions in the ministry is not only a great personal tribute, but an honor to the county of Victoria which he represents.

Hon. P. J. Veniot, the Minister of Public Works, has long been an outstanding figure among the Acadians of the province. He is a native of Kent county and was educated at Pictou Academy, an institution which has given many able men to the public life of the country. Hon. Mr. Veniot is a man of energy and ability and is a fluent speaker in both French and English. He represents Gloucester in the Legislature for some years under the old government, and rendered good service. For some years past he has been Acadian organizer for the opposition, and the sweep made by his party in the North Shore counties at the recent election was in a large measure due to his efforts.

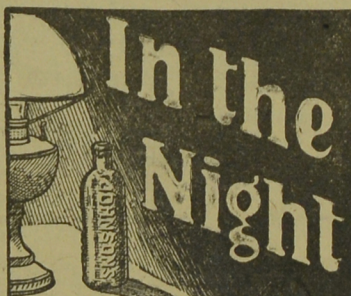
All classes of people who admire courage and honesty will rejoice that Premier Foster was able to induce Hon. L. A. Dugal to enter the cabinet. The Acadians of New Brunswick have given many able men to the public life of the country, but none ever rendered such a signal service to the province and to the cause of good government as Hon. L. A. Dugal. Elected as an opponent of the government in 1912, he stoutly resisted the overtures of the then Premier, Mr. J. Kidd Flemming, and stood manfully by his principles. He made charges against Mr. Flemming which resulted in his retirement from the government and the Legislature. He helped to expose the crooked transactions of the government, and his work made many thousands of votes for the Liberals during the recent election. It is not to be wondered at that the men who opposed Mr. Dugal in Madawaska in the late election forfeited their deposits.

Hon. C. W. Robinson, of Moncton, who enters the government without portfolio, is one of the ablest men in provincial public life. He entered political life more than twenty years ago and was a member of the Legislature for fifteen years. He was Speaker of the Legislature for six years, and in 1907 entered the cabinet as Provincial Secretary, ultimately succeeding to the Premiership. Hon. Mr. Robinson is one of New Brunswick's foremost business men, and the province will benefit from his ability and ripe experience.

Hon. Dr. Roberts, who also enters the cabinet without portfolio, is a prominent physician of St. John, and will add strength to the administration. He is a young man of energy and ability and can be counted upon to worthily represent the interests of New Brunswick's chief city. Hon. Dr. Roberts has long been an advocate of reform in matters pertaining to the public health and the province will gain much by his advent to public life.

It will be conceded even by his opponents that Premier Foster has surrounded himself with able colleagues, who can be counted upon to work faithfully in promoting the best interests of the province. It will be necessary for the Premier and the five ministers who have accepted portfolios to seek re-election, and the writs for by-elections will be issued at once. It is not yet known whether or not there will be opposition, but it will make but little difference. The new government is secure in office for the next five years.

It is about time that some steps were taken by the road committee to clean up the city streets and put them in a more presentable condition. The offal should be hauled to some of the vacant lots and made use of as fertilizer.



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Since the price of eggs has fallen the French have taken Ham.

Now the bear that walks like a man is learning to talk like one.

If one of the duties of the new premier is to upset the calculations of the new opposition organs, he's doing it.

Now the weather man has discovered a brand of snowstorm that neither snow plow nor scarifier can tackle.

The ex-government organs haven't yet got the heart to call their party "opposition."

The first man to be fired under the new government turns out to be one of the martyrs of the celebrated big note negotiated during the last York by-election. Next!

When the war call comes, George Sunday, Billy's son, is ready to volunteer as an aviator donating also a new \$5,000 war plane. Evidently preparedness runs in the family.

So far as we can learn by scanning the news despatches, Nicholas Romanoff has thus far received no congratulations upon his retirement from active business life from his neighbor, Wilhelm Hohenzollern.

RETURNS FROM VARIOUS MILITARY HOSPITALS

Ottawa, April 3.—The number of invalid soldiers cared for by the Militia Hospitals Commission is nearly 5,000. Returns from various units of the Military Hospitals Commission command, dated March 22nd, show a total of 4,702, and there has been an appreciable increase since then. The convalescents number 3,913, of whom 2,104 are in the convalescent hospitals and 1,809 are outpatients.

The consumptives number 520, including 198 "camp" men.

The Canadian soldiers in hospitals in the United Kingdom on March 9th numbered 15,060, including 467 officers, and consisted of 9,629 sick and 5,661 wounded.

ENTHUSIASM AT OTTAWA.

President Wilson's Address to Congress Well Received.

Ottawa, April 3.—While no official reference by any member of the Canadian government to the impending entry of the United States into the war with the Entente Allies is expected before final action by Congress, the clean cut address of President Wilson was received with enthusiasm in political circles in the capital this morning when the full text of the message became available through the press.

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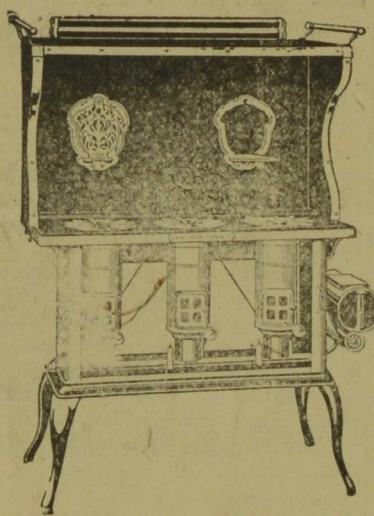
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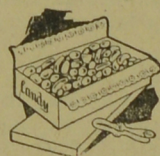
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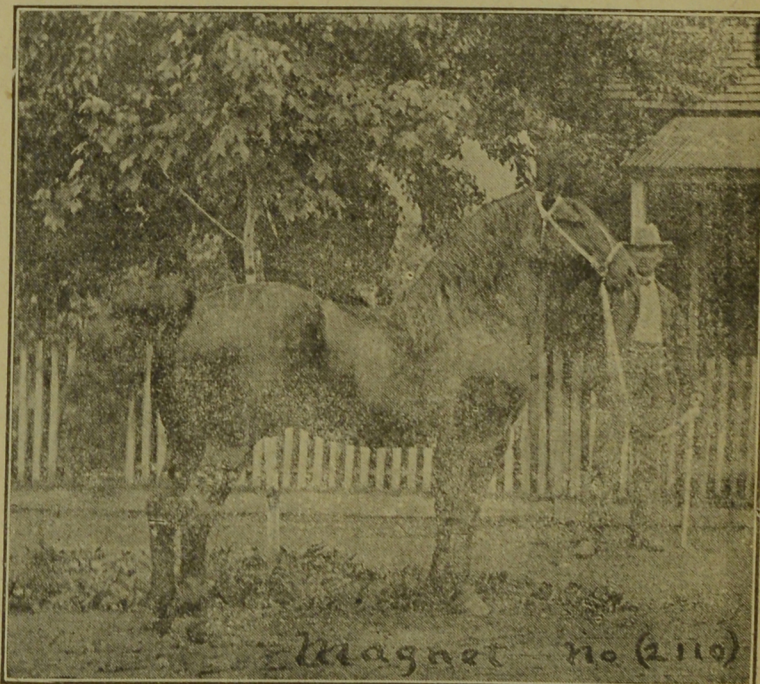
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