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## MONDAY'S ELECTION.

It will be generally conceded that the political contest which closes on Monday has been one of the most spirited which Canada has experienced since Confederation. In this connection the hope entertained by many people that the formation of a Union government would rob the campaign of its bitterness has not been realized, and it will stand as the keenest of political battle Canada has ever known. The eve of polling finds both parties well organized in every province, and both appear to be confident of the victory. It is conceded by opponents that the Liberals will carry at least sixty of the sixty-five seats in the Province of Quebec, which is undoubtedly a pretty big handicap for the Unionist party. If it were an ordinary election and a straight party fight, it would not be a very difficult matter to forecast the result, as a sweep for the Liberals would be a foregone conclusion.

In the contest of six years ago the Conservatives and Nationalists carried twenty-eight seats in Quebec, in eighteen of which there was an overturn. This change practically wiped out the majority which the Liberals had in the previous parliament. In Ontario the Conservatives captured seventy-three seats out of a total of eighty-six. The Maritime Provinces divided about evenly, as also did the three western provinces.

In Monday's election the Conservatives are confident that the big Liberal lead in Quebec will be more than offset by the Unionists in Ontario, where they expect to carry at least seventy seats. There is not likely to be any decided change in the Maritime Provinces, although Nova Scotia, evenly divided in the last House, may do a little better for the Unionists. It would seem, therefore, that the west will be the pivotal point in this election. Under the redistribution act it will have fifty-seven members. In order to win, it would seem that the Unionists must come out of the west with a substantial majority. The Unionist campaign in the west is being directed by Hon. J. A. Calder, an experienced campaigner, who is backed up by Hon. Arthur Sifton, ex-Premier of Alberta, and Hon. T. A. Crerar, president of the Grain Growers' Association. The Liberals, on the other hand, have the active support of Hon. C. W. Cross, Attorney General of Alberta, who is said to be the most successful political organizer in the west; Hon. Frank Oliver, ex-Minister of the Interior, and Hon. W. R. Motherwell. The fact that Sir Wilfrid Laurier has devoted the closing days of the campaign to the western provinces is an indication that he feels that his cause in that section of the country needs some bolstering up. He probably felt that he could do little good in Ontario or the Maritime Provinces and that the west was the most promising field for his labors.

The Liberal chieftain has a great many friends and admirers in the west and his tour, judging by the hearty welcome extended to him, may be the means of putting several constituencies into the Liberal column which otherwise would have gone for the government.

The late Parliament had outrun its course, and an election was needed to clear the political atmosphere. It is to be earnestly hoped that when it is over and the result known, that the members of both parties will bury the hatchet and conditions will soon become as near normal as is possible at a time like this. It must not be forgotten that Canadians are active participants in a great struggle for civilization, and the honor of the country demands that we must see the thing through to a successful finish.

Canadian Courier: It is an out-of-the-way place, Woodstock, Carleton county, New Brunswick, the hometown of the man who has been experimenting with a straight talk based on conviction as an asset in politics. Woodstock is somewhere back of Fredericton, and Fredericton is the least visited of provincial capitals. But

this out-of-the-way place, famous for potatoes and politics, will some day be the home of a distinguished Canadian statesman.

New York Times: From an authoritative source it is learned that during the last ten months John D. Rockefeller has personally expended \$70,000,000 in aid of the war. His money has gone to Belgian relief, the Liberty Loan, the Red Cross, the Y. M. C. A. and other war funds. This huge sum has no connection with the money expended by the Rockefeller Foundation. A friend said that Mr. Rockefeller was keenly interested in the war, and intensely patriotic, and was ready to stand behind his country to the limit of his resources.

On account of the great disaster, polling day in Halifax has been postponed until January 28. The deferred election in the Yukon will be held on the same date.

## LORD CECIL GIVES HIS VIEWS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

London, Dec. 15. — Lord Robert Cecil, Minister of Blockade, in his weekly talk with the Associated Press, replying to a question in regard to a recognition of the Bolshevik government in Russia said: "We shall gladly recognize any government which we believe represents the Russian people, either de facto or de jure. We are not yet satisfied that the Bolsheviks are entitled to such recognition."

When asked whether the United States would join her allies in any steps taken in regard to Russia, Lord Robert said: "I should be sorry to see any considerable step taken in the conduct of the war or any preparation made for peace without American participation."

In regard to rumors that the Bolshevik government now was planning

## Through Our Sieve

Vote for Santa Claus.

Will the lady voters vote early?

Oh, dear, is it an X you make or a cross?

My dear, you must tell me what is behind that screen?

The way to double-cross a name on a ballot is to make no cross at all.

No, you don't have to vote for the best looking candidate.

Some voters will consider casting their ballot equivalent to giving the candidate a Christmas present.

Now that some women have got the vote they will get uneasy because they no longer have a grievance.

A calf was recently sold at a dairy show for \$53,200. If they keep on going up some day a living animal will be worth as much as the picture of one by an old master.

When a woman receives a telegram her first thought is, "Someone is dead." If it is received by a man, his first thought is, "I wonder who is coming to visit us now," and it is difficult to say which suffers the more from apprehension.

## 15 TIMES THE MONEY

was spent on doctors' bills, without any benefit, as was spent in Zam-Buk, which effected a complete cure!" says Mrs. Fred Gervais of 126 Bleury St., Montreal.

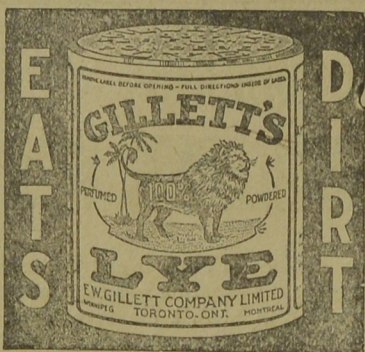
"A rash broke out on my baby's skin, and she became very fretful and lost weight. I took her to a doctor, who gave me some lotion to apply, but it did not do baby any good. I then took her to another doctor, but with the same result."

"Then a friend, who saw the condition baby was in, brought me some Zam-Buk, which she so highly recommended that I commenced using it. In one week's time baby looked much better, and before a month had elapsed she was quite well again."

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## MR. McLELLAN'S AFFIDAVIT

Says He was Offered a Large Sum to Make an Error in the Papers of Mr. N. W. Brown.

The following affidavit was read by Mr. Brown at the close of his speech at the Opera House last evening: PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, COUNTY OF YORK, S.S.

I, Robert W. McLellan, of the City of Fredericton, in the County of York, Barrister, make oath and say:

1. That I am the solicitor for the candidate for the Liberal party in the constituency of York-Sunbury.

2. That on Friday and Saturday, the 16th and 17th days of November last, Harry Blair, of the City of Fredericton, in the County of York, offered me a large sum of money in cash to make sufficient mistakes in the preparation of the nomination papers of the said Nelson W. Brown so that same would be void and of no effect when filed with the official Returning Officer for the constituency of York-Sunbury.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing it to be of the same force and effect as if made under oath by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act.

R. W. McLELLAN.  
Declared before me at the City of Fredericton, in the County of York, this 14th day of December, A. D. 1917.

F. H. PETERS,  
A Commissioner for taking affidavits to be read in the Supreme Court.

the establishment of a constituent monarchy, the minister of blockade said:

"In considering rumors I always remind myself that much of what is said in a revolution is untrue. But some such scheme may be in view. Certainly the Germans would have no sympathy with a republic. However, I cannot imagine any man so foolish as to wish to be a constitutional monarch under the Bolshevik regime."

## HON. MR. CARVELL IS AT HALIFAX

The Minister of Public Works Astonished at the Extent of the Recent Disaster.

Halifax, Dec. 14.—One minister of the Federal government has spent two of the busiest days of his life in this city. Hon. F. B. Carvell, on his arrival yesterday, made a hurried survey of the devastated district accompanied by Major Bell, of the Railway Department, Ottawa, General Manager Hayes and others.

Like everyone else who has only read descriptions of the awful disaster, he was amazed beyond measure as a partial realization of the ruin and misery was exposed to his personal observation.

No pen could possibly do justice to describe that portion of the city laid flat in ruin. As a member of the Federal government which will surely feel it necessary to extend generous assistance to this severely stricken area, Hon. Mr. Carvell wanted first-hand information, and from the early morning until late last night he was overwhelmed with information.

What to do and what not to do is a big problem. There are many contractors on the scene, some of them want to assist without reward, others are looking for fat jobs at big prices. The committees with abundance of money will need to exercise great care. The government, with its whole old water front practically gone, with the dockyard damaged seriously, the drydock out of commission and no railway station or freight sheds, has a colossal task to make good in time to carry on, to provision warships, to equip and victual transports, to repair damaged vessels and do all that is necessary in time of war.

This is one of the chief reasons why the Minister of Public Works and the Minister of Railways are here today. They have ceased to talk to electors and are instead talking to the people of Halifax about how to resume business and restore the city.

There have been many complaints from people in New Brunswick and elsewhere concerning the insufficient railway service since the disaster.

No one who has visited Halifax wonders any longer at the shock to the railway service. At the first, telegraph and telephone lines were out of commission and the railway was as helpless as a blind man, more helpless, indeed, because strength was taken as well as sight. Many locomotives were made useless and the men to man the trains, to do the yard work, to attend

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Ladies' Satin and Silk Pumps,	\$3, \$3.50 & \$4.00	2.00
Ladies' Patent Boots.	\$4.50, \$5.00, \$5.50	3.75
Ladies' Patent Boots	\$6.50, and \$4.00	2.95
Ladies' Dong. Boots	\$5.00 and \$6.00	2.35
Ladies' Dong. and Gun Metal Low Shoes	\$3, \$3.50	2.35
Ladies' Patent Low Shoes	\$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4	2.60
Men's Calf Bals	\$5.00 and \$5.50	4.25
Men's Gun Metal Button	\$5.50 and \$6.50	4.65
Men's Tan Calf Boots	\$6.00 and \$7.00	5.50
Men's Patent Boots	\$5.50 and \$6.00	4.00
Men's Tan Patent and Calf Low Shoes	\$4.50, \$5, \$5.50	3.85
Men's Heavy Working Boots	\$4.75, \$5 & \$5.50	4.00
Men's Hockey Bals	\$2.50, \$3 & \$3.50	2.00
Boys' Kip and Dong. Bals.	\$2.00 and \$2.25	1.60
Boys' Calf and Kip Bals	\$3. and \$3.50	2.40
Boys' Heavy School Bals.	\$3.75 and \$4.75	3.25
Boys' Hockey Bals	\$2.50 and \$3.00	2.00
Girls' Cravenette high cut Boots, wool lined	\$2.35	2.30
Girls' Hockey Bals	\$2.25	1.85
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the switches and the hundred jobs necessary to operate the road were either dead or seeking their dead. The only wonder is that the railway system responded as quickly as it did and had trains running two days later from the ruined station.