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## UNION GOVERNMENT.

Mr. H. F. Gadsby, the well known Ottawa publicist, contributes a clever article to the current number of McLean's Magazine on "The Inside Story of Union Government." He deals with the negotiations for union carried on by Sir Robert Borden and tells of the active part played in the same by Sir Clifford Sifton, whom he describes as "the man behind." In summing up, Mr. Gadsby makes the following interesting comment:

Much has been said as to the motives of the Liberal leaders, east and west, who have gone into the Union government. The truth is that whatever their personal motives may have been, their collective motive was the ultimate good of the Liberal party. The Westerners aimed to keep the West solid for the Liberal party, and the Easterners aimed to keep the Liberal party solid in the East, meanwhile joining in an earnest effort to win the war by all possible means, and to pull Canada out of a financial hole by concentrating the best brains of the country, regardless of party, on the grave problems with which we are now confronted.

The larger Liberalism—that was their cue. As W. S. Fielding has put it, the larger Liberalism could not brook the "Quebec attitude." As standing for, if not actually encouraging that attitude, Sir Wilfrid had to go. For many years to come the returned soldier is going to be as big a factor in Canadian politics as the G. A. R. was in the United States. It was simply unthinkable that the Liberal party should put itself in a position of hostility toward the soldier, which would have resulted in its wandering in the wilderness for the next quarter of a century. If Quebec stood in the way of a complete understanding and close friendship with the heroes who had fought, died, and suffered for us on the blood stained battlefields of Europe, then so much the worse for Quebec. Another thought the larger Liberalism had in mind was that now was the time to get rid of the French hump to prevent Quebec ever again exercising the balance of power, and to entrust political leadership to leaders who were prepared to do their full duty in this war by Canada and the British Empire. The calculations are that there will be fifty-seven varieties of Liberals in the next Parliament.

When the shake-up comes, these Liberals will all be dressed up and have no place to go but home.

The Conservatives have similar expectations. The party system is not dead yet and will not be until Canada is a scientific state ruled by love and sweet reasonableness—which is some distance off. Some day we may arrive at the perfect wisdom which says parties when real issues exist, and no parties when the issues disappear.

Meanwhile both parties aim to keep themselves intact against the great day when they will begin to tear each other's eyes out as usual. Union government is, so to speak, an emergency ration, not a steady diet. But, emergency ration or not, it is what Canada must live on for the next three years, or longer, if the war lasts.

Conditions at Halifax are much worse than at first reported. In fact, it was impossible to exaggerate the terrible conditions wrought by the explosion. Imagination can scarcely conceive a more horrible state of affairs. The people of the Nova Scotia capital need assistance and need it badly.

A campaign yarn which is doing duty in York is one to the effect that an esteemed clergyman from the pulpit urged the members of his congregation to vote the Liberal ticket. It seems that the only basis for the story was an appeal made by the clergyman to his congregation to buy Victory bonds.

Lieut. G. R. McCord, who went to France as a private, won the D. S. O. and was promoted on the field, is stumping Westmorland on behalf of Mr. A. B. Copp, the Liberal candidate.

Hon. Sydney Fisher, former Minister of Agriculture, is to speak at St. John tonight on behalf of the Laurier Liberal candidates.

Through Our Sieve

Santa Claus will be sensible, of course, but not penurious. Do not talk too much about good things to eat—it discourages conservation.

Democracy is growth, and a slow growth at that. This explains Russia. Lord Lansdowne is another of that notable band in history who have over-talked themselves.

In the field the allies are more than a match for Germany. In chicanery they refuse to compete.

Another advantage of not being famous is that nobody digs up and publishes all your fool letters.

There is said to be a button famine in Germany. With the "busting" of the last button the relapse to barbarism should be complete.

Women are hard to please. One will kick because her husband is jealous of her, and another because he is not.

The Concord Monitor states that the first deer shot in Vermont this season was a horse. Lucky it wasn't a Vermonter.

Any man who can unscrew the inscrutable can tell you about when the war is going to end.

Chinese usually claim to have invented everything that comes powerfully into the world's consciousness, but thus far they have laid no claims to frightfulness.

## DISTRICT MEETINGS HELD AT MARYSVILLE

Rev. M. Addison, of Fredericton, Preached Final Sermon Last Night—Aid for Halifax.

Marysville, December 10. — Mrs. McIntyre, wife of Dr. McIntyre, is leaving today for New York, where she will spend a few weeks visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bird are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a young daughter at their home.

The district meetings which have been held at the Olivet Baptist church for the past few days were concluded last evening. Rev. Milton Addison of Fredericton, occupied the pulpit at last evening's service and preached an eloquent and instructive sermon. At the conclusion of the service Rev. Mr. Addison extended the hearty thanks of the delegates who assembled here for the meetings for the kind treatment which they had received at the different homes where they were located and for the untiring efforts of the pastor, Rev. E. J. Barrass in making the meetings such a grand success.

A committee of citizens has been very active for the past few days in soliciting clothing, etc., for the sufferers of the Halifax disaster. They have now a considerable quantity of goods on hand which will be forwarded immediately.

The Ladies' Club will meet at the Dawson Club rooms this evening.

Mr. Harry Guitier has returned from Princeton, Me., and will accept a position with the Canadian Cottons.

Mr. Joseph Boyce of Tracey Station spent the week-end with relatives here, returning home this morning.

Mr. William Everett returned to Minto this morning after visiting his home here.

Mrs. W. H. Grey left this morning for St. John, where she will visit relatives for a few weeks.

Mrs. H. Myshraill of Fredericton, paid a visit to her former home here Saturday.

## HALIFAX CALLS FOR TWENTY-FIVE MILLION

(Continued from page 5.)

Hon. A. K. McLean, minister without portfolio in the Borden administration be elected by acclamation.

## Another Ship Afire.

The citizens got a shock today when a ship was noticed to be on fire outside the harbor. Immediately the rumor got around that she was a munition ship and another explosion was expected. It happily turned out that the steamer was a coaler. She was taken in hand by the naval authorities who got the fire under control.

## Supplies Needed.

The estimates of material required for the temporary repairs to be done in Halifax so as to make damaged houses habitable and which have been prepared by their reconstruction section of the Halifax relief committee, follows:

Glass, 1,000,000 lights or panes, assorted sizes.  
Putty, fifty tons.  
Sashes, 18,000.  
Doors, 2,000.  
Scantling, 250,000 B. M.  
Boards (matched) 1,000,000 feet B. M.

Roofing paper, 5,000 square feet.  
Wall board, 300,000 square feet.  
Nails, 1,000 kegs, two and a half to four inches.

The above does not include any material which may be required for dwellings which have been completely demolished, nor for public buildings, railway terminals, manufacturing, industrial buildings or walls.

All desirous of forwarding material should communicate with Col. Robert Low, Halifax Hotel, Halifax, so as to avoid overlapping.

## UNIONIST MEETINGS

In the interest of  
UNION GOVERNMENT  
In this Constituency, will be held as follows:

MONDAY, December, 10th—  
Springfield  
Fredericton Junction  
Parker's Ridge  
McGivney's Junction.

TUESDAY, December 11th—  
Fredericton  
Williamsburg  
Millville.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 12th—  
Cross Creek  
Pokiook  
Lakeville Corner

THURSDAY, December 13th—  
McNutt's Mills  
Campbell Settlement  
McAdam  
Brewer's Mills  
Burton Court House  
Douglas  
Estey's Bridge  
Blaney Ridge.

FRIDAY, December 14th—  
Marysville  
Hardwood Ridge  
Minto  
Bear Island  
Harvey Station  
Penniac  
Woodlands.

## SOCIETY NEWS.

Mrs. W. S. Carter returned on Saturday from a three months' trip to western Canada, where she visited her daughter.

Miss Bessie Babbitt has gone to Halifax to visit her sister, Mrs. Beresford Oxley.

Mrs. Wainwright has returned from a trip to St. John.

Mrs. West of St. John, spent the week-end with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Bailey.

Mrs. Roy Robertson of Devon, spent Sunday with relatives here.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Methodist church held a supper and sale of fancy articles at the Oddfellows' Hall Friday evening. The affair proved a great success, upwards of seventy dollars being realized.

Miss Ellen Heron has recovered from her recent illness.

## The "Ideal" Bed Covering

For the Frosty Fall and Cold Winter Nights that are before us, is found only in our "Cozy," Warm, Light and High Class

## "McLintocks" Down Quilts

They give you the MAXIMUM OF WARMTH AND COMFORT with the MINIMUM OF WEIGHT AND COST. A Good Down Quilt will last for years, is warmer and cheaper than all wool blankets, and is a large factor in producing the good healthful and refreshing sleep that will add years to your life. You will find here the finest assortment in the city, in dainty colors to match the color scheme of your room, all marked at LOWEST LIVING PRICES—from \$6.90 to \$22.00. You don't know what you're missing if you are not using the BEST OF DOWN QUILTS—McLINTOCK'S.

OTHER BED COVERINGS found here in great variety. WHITE WOOL BLANKETS from \$5.75 to \$10.00 per pair. GREY WOOL BLANKETS from \$3.85 to \$7.25 per pair. COTTON FILLED COMFORTERS from \$2.70 to \$5.00. "IBEX," the best SHAKER BLANKET on the market, in White and Grey, 10-4, 11-4 and 12-4 sizes, at ROCK BOTTOM PRICES. See our "Special" Low Price Shaker Blanket, good size, in Grey only, at \$1.75 per pair, each Blanket finished separately. CRIB BLANKETS in White, Light Blue, Pink and Grey.

BUY NOW, while the cold weather is ahead of you, while the assortment is good, and while the price is reasonable. Later on they are absolutely certain to cost you more, as we are getting advance prices continually.

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See the new style with cover on the side  
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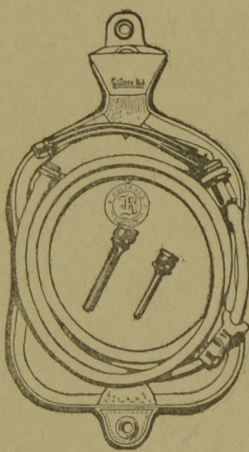
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## A GIFT FOR MOTHER

Mother's smile is very pronounced when on Christmas morning she finds among her gifts a most cherished HOT WATER BOTTLE. Now of course you are not going to give her a poor one—you are going to give her the best there is, and the best is the cheapest.

Our prices on good Hot Water Bottles are exceedingly low.

## STAPLES' PHARMACY

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Agency for Miller Standard  
Rubber Goods.

## Mammoth Bargain Sale of Footwear

COMMENCING AT 9 A. M. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8th,  
and CONTINUING UNTIL NEW YEAR'S EVE.

Our Stock must be reduced fifty per cent. by the beginning of the New Year. Some of our Special Bargains are:

	Regular Price.	Sale Price.
Ladies' Patent Boots . . . . .	\$4.50, \$5.00, \$5.50	\$3.75
Ladies' Patent Boots . . . . .	\$3.50, and \$4.00	2.95
Ladies' Dong. Boots . . . . .	\$3.00	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 Bais . . . . .	\$5.00 and \$5.50	4.25
Men's Gun Metal Boots . . . . .	\$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

10 PER CENT DISCOUNT ON ALL OTHER PURCHASES OF FOOTWEAR.

Would ask our patrons not to ask for coupons, as we are discontinuing giving same. We will, however, continue until January 15th, 1918, to redeem all outstanding coupons.

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## Come To The Opera House To-Morrow Night

and hear Honorable F. B. Carvell Minister of Public Works, Colonel McLeod and Rev. G. M. Campbell tell you why Union Government should have your support in backing up the Boys in the Trenches.

Chair taken at 8 o'clock. Special Train from Marysville, returning after the Meeting.

Same Speakers will address the Ladies in the afternoon at 3.30 o'clock, also in the Opera House.