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## THOUSANDS OF BALLOTS WILL NEVER BE OPENED

Many Soldier votes cast in England, France and Canada Were Rejected—"Tied" Ballots Held for a Judicial Recount Will not be Opened---More Than 5000 in One Quebec Constituency---Recounts Cannot Now be Held.

Ottawa, Feb. 27. — A good many thousands of ballots cast in the last election will never be counted. The aggregate runs up into the tens of thousands. The soldiers' ballots which were rejected in Canada, England and France, because the enclosing envelopes giving the voters' attestation as to where he lived in Canada and the constituency for which his ballot was marked were anomalous, were practically all a loss to the government's candidates. There is, however, another class of lost votes by which the opposition candidates suffer. These are the "tied" ballots or those allowed by the enumerators "on certificate." Where a voter's name was not on the enumerator's list and his application at the polling booth for inclusion upon the voters' list was refused he had the right to demand a certificate to vote. Such ballots were kept separate from the ordinary ballots and were not to be opened or counted except in the case of a judicial recount. In practically every constituency there were scores of such "tied" ballots, especially in western Canada and in the province of Quebec.

In one Quebec constituency there were more than five thousand of these ballots, although in this case it is understood that the election machinery was worked to the advantage of the opposition candidate, presumably through the difficulty of finding enough conscriptionists to appoint as enumerators. In western Canada, it is reported that in several polling divisions the men who voted on certificate represented from eighty to ninety per cent. of the total vote cast.

### Lost Chance for Recount.

Under the peculiar circumstances of the election, with the result of the soldiers' vote unascertainable for two or three months after the civilian vote was announced, opposition candidates who had a substantial majority naturally did not think it necessary to apply for any recount to determine the validity of the "tied" ballots, thinking their election was assured. However, according to the election act, recounts have to be applied for within six days after the returning officer makes his official return. Every returning officer in Canada has already made his official return of the civilian vote and it is too late to demand a recount in any constituency now. Consequently the "tied" ballots will remain unopened although it is now ap-

parent that final overseas returns in a number of instances will reverse the result of the civilian vote.

It may be that government majorities in two or three constituencies will be so small that were the "tied" ballots opened and counted the opposition candidate would be elected. However, as to this there will never be any certainty. The only solace the defeated candidate may have is that if it were not for "that act" and its confusing machinery he would have a declared majority of the legal voters. But as it is now there can be no recounts. Moreover, there will be no protests. Hon. Frank Oliver, who some time ago looked to have a chance to win out, has withdrawn the protest he entered within the requisite forty days after election day. The soldiers' vote was too much for the ex-minister to contend against.

### May Act on Cabled Returns.

Cabled returns of the soldiers' vote in England are expected at any moment now. It is understood that the percentage for the government candidates was about the same as in Canada or 88 per cent. Whether the government will summon parliament forthwith on learning the cabled results of the vote in England or will await the official signed declarations by mail is still uncertain. According to law a member cannot be gazetted until the certified return is made in writing by the returning officers to the clerk of the town in chancery at Ottawa. To await these certificates from London will necessitate a further delay of possibly several weeks before the members can be gazetted.

It is understood that the prime minister has consulted with the leader of the opposition with a view to securing an agreement for a temporary gazetting on the basis of the cabled returns so that parliament could be summoned without further delay. Under all the circumstances it is probable that as soon as the cabled returns are received from England the government will issue a proclamation summoning parliament for March 20.

## HOWIE TROPHY WON BY JUNIORS LAST NIGHT

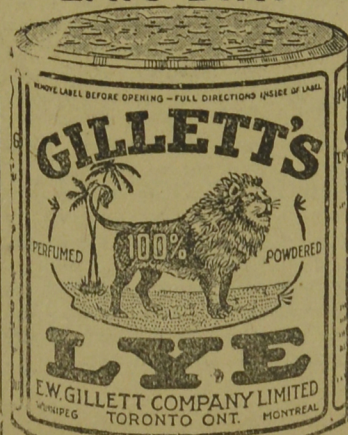
Seniors Had a Lead in First Section, But Lost It Later in the Night—Score 65 to 48.

The Juniors won the third round and the "Wee Neilly" last night by beating the Seniors 65 to 48 at the curling rink. The Juniors take the Howie trophy for the year, that trophy having been put up for competition. The Old Fellows had a margin of three points on the Youngsters when the first six rinks stopped play at nine o'clock. In the next section, however, the Seniors were beaten all around.

The score by skips was as follows:

Seniors	Juniors
H.H. Hagerman 11	A.S. McFarlane 10
S. D. Simmons 10	H. B. Colwell 8
A. A. Shute 9	R. B. VanDine 9
R. FitzRandolph 8	E. J. Miles 10
F. P. Hatt 4	J. E. Page 11
L. C. Macnutt 6	N. Dougherty 14
Total 48	Total 65

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