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Tory Newspapers Sore on the Men Who are Back from the War-Government Stood No Chance of Winning---Public Accounts will be Audited-Island Without a Lieutenant Governor at the Present Time.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., July 27--An vacant until the Government could interesting aftermath of the Provin- consider it safe to bring on a bye-elcial general elections is the somewhat ection. In view of the prevailing senbitter attitude of the Conservative timent it would simply be courting Press toward the returned soldiers, defeat to open up Queen's County now Little Liquor in E idence whom they are blaming in a measure for the defeat of the Government. "We Owing to the drastic prohibition gave you the full franchise," they say, 'law which the Commission are well and in return you voted against us." enforcing, there was little if any li-There is no doubt that there was quor in evidence on Thursday. In dissatisfaction among the returned Charlottetown a supply, said to have men, especially with regard to the been intended for the Conservatives filling of positions, complaints be- was seized on the eve of the elections ing heard that the friends of the and this discouraged further attempts Government received the best jobs. to use it. In a few of the country polls The fact that the soldiers and com- there was a quantity on hand for elmittees appointed by the Premier in ection purposes, and the Commission the various districts were, with but may have something to say about this few exceptions, Conservatives-a num the penalties being extremely heavy. ber of them being candidates at It is rather a peculiar fact that all tered by Sir Auckland Geddes, the Thursday's elections-would tend to the doctors who were candidates, four British minister of reconstruction, in corroborate the charge of political in all were Conservatives, and all an address at Crewe recently. favoritism. That the Conservatives recognized will be seven lawyers, ten farmers,

the value of securing the khaki sup- and the remainder merchants and port is shown by their attempts at all men of various callings. the meetings to resurrect the issues of the last Federal campaign, and the Liberals were charged with not doing their duty by the boys in the war.

Doomed to Defeat

Even with the soldier vote eliminated (and it was divided, with the larger share evidently going Liberal) the Arsenault Government was doomed to defeat. The Opposition in the Legislature and later on the stump were much stronger than the Government in debating ability. The Premier while personally popular, had to bear the brunt of the Liberal attack to a large extent himself, and it was a fight against odds when the he fared better, having the assistance of Senator MacLean and A. A. Le-Conservatives, every available man in some cases Government officials, being pressed into the service. The Liberals on the other hand were even better supplied with speakers and put up an exceptionally aggressive campaign on the platform and through the press.

The Government were heavily attacked on their administration, the Commissioner of Agriculture, Hon. McKinnon, who was among the fallen yesterday, being constantly under fire

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FOOD PRICES TO RE HIGHER

London, July 30.-Prophecy that the price of food next winter will "climb money just at present to pay for it. to a level never dreamed of," was ut-for stockings and feathers for hats,

were defeated. In the new House there A member of the audiences shouted "More wages." Sir Auckland replied that there would be no money to pay wages, baceuse it would have to go overseas to pay for food. The Minis-ling lunacy." The millowners, he said, limited output to obtain higher prices ter warned the public that it was "Maud says she isn't going to sing squandering its money in a colossal and the operators limited it to make way on things that did not matter.

"You cannot live like millionaires," "H'm! If I had her voice I wouldn't

mouse. This nation is now poor. It is living as if it were wealthy.'

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More beer was being brewed in Great Britain, yet people complain of a shortage. This he attributed to a doubling of the amount of beer consumed because since the war there was more time to drink it in and more Sir Auckland said, the people were increasing Britain's debt for things that were not essential. "What you ought to get are food and raw materials," he declared. Sir Auckland denounced the limitation of output as "stark, starlimited output to obtain higher prices

Mr. A. H. Hayford of Boston a well he said, "if you are as poor as a church known lumber buyer is at the Queen.



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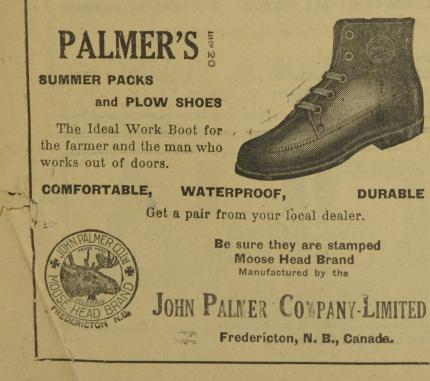
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Planned Open Voting That the Government foresaw the fate which befell them, is evident from their attempt to repeal the Ballot Act and revert to open voting, in the hope of thus coercing the officials They actually introduced the Bill but pressure of public opinion caused its withdrawal and it left the impression that they feared an appeal to the

During the election a plebiscite was taken to determine whether the favored the imposition of a people special tax to increase the teahcers' salaries to the Standard of the Teachers' Union. The result has not been Leader and prospective Premier, Mr. J. H. Bell. The president of the Union in a pre-election letter declared that a strike would not be at all unlikely if the demands for higher salaries were not met.

One of the first steps to be taken by the new government on assuming office will have to have a thorough audit of the public accounts, and i is freely predicted that the com paratiively small estimate for roads and bridges last year will be greatly exceeded, as large sums were no doubt on hand in many districts for vote-catching purposes.

Governorship Still Vacant

The Province is still without Lieutenant-Governor, Chief Justice Mathieson being Acting Administrator Several names are prominently men tioned in connection with the vacancy, including Mr. A. A. Maclean, ex-M. P., Comptroller of the North-Wests Mounted Police, who left Charlotte town about a year ago to take the lat ter position, which, it is understood is to be abolished. Donald Nicholson M. P. for Queen's County, and A. A Lefurgey, ex-M. P. Summerside, are also in the running. Political gossig has it that the Governorship will re main vacant until after the Federa bye-elections which by an understand ing were to be held this autumn When these elections are over Mr Nicholson, rumor goes may be appoint ed Governor, and his seat could be left



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