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THE SITUATION AT OTTAWA.

The well informed Ottawa correspondent of the Toronto Saturday Night seems to have anticipated the deadlock which now exists at Ottawa as a result of the recent Federal election. In a letter to his paper written the week before the election he said: "I have heard considerable argument and speculation as to what will be the result should either Mr. King or Mr. Meighen have the largest group but not a majority over all. It may be safely assumed, I think that in either case Mr. King will retain the Premiership until such time as there is another election. Should he have the largest group it will be up to him, of course, to attempt to carry on, and he would be able to do so for a time after the manner of the last parliament with the aid of the Progressives. But even should Mr. Meighen have the largest group—say 105 to Mr. King's 95—there is little doubt but that Mr. King would advise the Governor-General that he desired to retain office and to face Parliament figuring that the 45 Progressives and Independents would give him enough votes to keep him in power. He would not likely be disposed to resign and permit Mr. Meighen to have the prestige of power in bringing on another election which the latter would have to do. Mr. King will not be relieved of the Premiership short of a majority over all for Mr. Meighen. How long he would be able to carry on with Progressive support but with the Conservatives the largest group would depend on the course he pursued. Indication of the length of life of his Government probably would not come before the next budget was brought down, the Speech from the Throne being a fairly easy matter to get over. Should the Westerners in and out of his party force a tariff reduction budget on him the possibilities would be interesting, including that of a union of Liberal protectionists with the Conservatives. Such a union on the budget might reasonably be expected to develop into a permanent new party orientation. It would definitely align protectionists on one side and anti-protectionists on the other, and in that alignment they would face the country for a decisive show down, Mr. King leading the anti-protectionist party and Mr. Meighen or somebody else the protectionist party."

The election returns show that while Hon. Mr. Meighen secured the largest group he really carried one less seat than the number won by the Liberals in 1921 when the membership of the House was ten less than it is today. The Liberals on the other hand lost seventeen seats as compared with the number held in the last Parliament. Premier King never actually had a majority of the seats in the late Parliament exclusive of the Speaker, yet he was able to carry on the affairs of the government, with the support of the Progressives. The number of Progressives has been greatly reduced by the election but there is every reason to believe that they will prefer the present administration to one which might be formed by the Conservative leader. The resignation of the Liberal government would mean another election, and this is not what any great number of the people want at the present time, particularly a goodly percentage of those who have just gone through the ordeal in the capacity of candidates. It costs money to run an election and nobody knows this better than those who are called upon to bear the brunt of the battle. Naturally under the circumstances many of those who go to Parliament have considerable respect for the \$4000 sessional indemnity and not much wonder. The only precedent since Confederation for a second appeal to the people after one session of a Parliamentary term had been completed, occurred in 1872 when the government of Sir John Macdonald, returned the previous year by a large majority, was compelled to resign because of the Pacific scandal. The late Hon. Alexander Mackenzie was called upon to form an administration and on appealing to the country it was sustained.

NOT A PRECEDENT.
The St. John Globe in a recent issue said:

"Should the returns from Queens, P. E. Island show a tie, as now indicated, a situation will be created similar to that which occurred in Saint John county years ago when John McLeod and Hon. H. A. McKeown ran a dead heat. Mr. McLeod was the former member and returning officer of that day, the late Sheriff Harding, very fairly said Mr. McLeod had not been defeated."

Our St. John contemporary, usually very accurate on historical data of a political nature, is a little astray on this occasion. Hon. Mr. McKeown and not Mr. McLeod was the sitting member at the time referred to. He had been elected as one of the six members for St. John City and County, but during the ensuing legislative term Hon. A. G. Blair, the then Premier, had the constituency divided, the city being given four members and the county two. Hon. Mr. McKeown contested the county at the next election and tied for second place with Mr. McLeod, who was new to public life. The sheriff decided the matter by giving the casting vote to Mr. McLeod on the ground that he was a resident of the county.

There will be general regret in political circles throughout the province over the news of the untimely death of Mr. John M. Flewelling, M. L. A. elect for St. Stephen-Milltown. Mr. Flewelling represented Charlotte in the last House and was one of the most energetic and useful members of the party then in opposition. He was a strong party man but was possessed of a striking personality and unfailing courtesy won for him friends on both sides of the House. At the last provincial election, although incapacitated by illness he was returned by a large majority and had his life been spared he would undoubtedly have been called upon to fill a high position in the service of the province.

Quite a number of political prophecies were made just prior to the late election, but none succeeded in hitting the mark. Hon. J. B. M. Baxter had the right dope so far as Nova Scotia and New Brunswick were concerned, but he was somewhat astray in regard to Quebec. He predicted from twenty to twenty-five seats for the Conservatives in that province, but they only secured four.

The political aspirations of Mrs. Minnie Bell Adney of Woodstock should now be satisfied. She ran as an independent candidate in Carleton Victoria last week and got 79 votes out of a total of over 11,000 polled.

Mr. Samuel Jacobs, the only Jewish member of last Parliament, was returned for the Cartier division of Montreal in the late election by 2900 majority.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Lima Beane says that the feminine waistline has no home.

Not only is human nature about the same everywhere, but so, also, is washday.

Perhaps most men are honest from choice, while a few are that way from necessity.

We can't live our own lives, if we could we would make a mess of them.

If Barnum was right Florida will soon have a population to equal the state of New York.

Let us so live that our elbows won't be forever poking somebody in the eye.

We often wonder what Adam and Eve done about handkerchiefs.—Ohio State Journal.

Did they have hay fever? Some have been calling the weather "squaw winter," while others have been saying worse than that.

Man could not live without hope. It brings him downtown in the morning and takes him home in the evening.

"Obey" has been eliminated but does the bridegroom still endow the bride with all his worldly goods, including a military brush and the receipt for the down payment on the furniture.

H. D. Cain of St. John is in the city today.

ANOTHER SEAT IS OFFERED THE PREMIER

Montreal, Nov. 1.—Lawrence A. Wilson, Liberal member-elect for Vaudreuil-Soulanges, has notified Premier King of his willingness to vacate his newly won seat in favor of the Prime Minister. In a letter to Mr. King, Mr. Wilson recalls that Soulanges county was once represented by Sir Wilfred Laurier. He assures the Premier that it would be "no deprivation" for him to turn over his mandate to Mr. King.

Mr. Wilson's is the second offer from Quebec, which elected 60 Liberals last Thursday. The first came from Major C. G. Power, who was returned for Quebec South. In a statement issued at Quebec tonight in connection with the offer, Major Power says:

"I am a soldier in the Liberal army and I offered my seat in Quebec South to Right Hon. Mr. King, not as Premier of Canada, but as my leader. At the time I made the spontaneous offer, I thought in fact, we would not have control of the Government any longer."

SPUD MARKET GOING STRONG

Presque Isle, Me., Nov. 1.—The potato market closed strong Saturday with the price on the \$6 mark cash to growers for Green Mountain No. 1's. Although many good lots went at \$5.50 and \$5.75. Growers are not over anxious to sell and are looking for higher prices.

PERSONAL MENTION

Miss Buelah Saunders leaves today for Calais, Me., where she will enter the Calais Hospital to train as a nurse.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bebbington, Sr., celebrate their fifty-second anniversary of their marriage on Saturday.

His Honor the Lieut. Governor is to spend the next few days shooting on the North Shore. He arrived from St. Stephen and is to proceed north tonight.

Devon Took Precautions. Four police were on duty in Devon Saturday night, Town Marshal Hayes being given reinforcements in the event of Halloween depredations. The night passed quietly.

National Fish Day

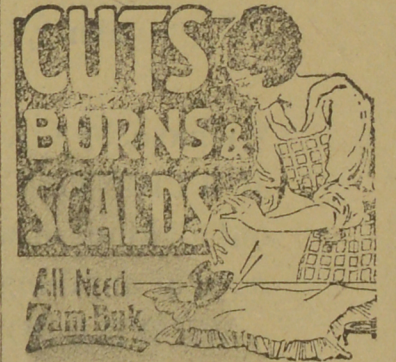
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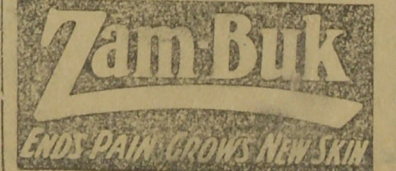
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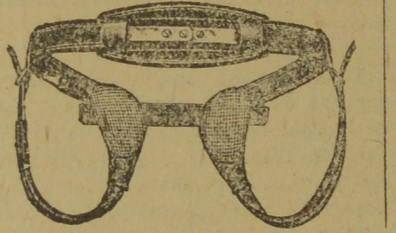
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A PARAMOUNT PICTURE

EXTRA TO-DAY

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RIN-TIN-TIN in 'Below The Line'