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WHY AN ELECTION IS NECESSARY

The question is being asked why has the opposition the right to demand an appeal to the people on this question of a permanent policy of naval tribute as presented by Premier Borden. It is because the government, if its supporters had voted according to their pledges to their constituents before the election of 1911, would have had a majority of but 6 instead of 30, while had Hon. Mr. Monk been in the House their majority would have been only 5. That is, while they have a House majority, they have not a popular majority. This also in a parliament which is 13 members short of the constitutional requirements according to last census. It is therefore evident that the government has not a popular majority behind it on this question.

On February 27th, when the second reading of the Naval Bill was carried the government had a majority of 30—114 to 84.

In parliament there are twenty Nationalists—that is, members who were elected to parliament pledged to their constituents to oppose any kind of taxation for a navy.

These twenty Nationalists are Messrs. Achim, Barrette, Bellemare, Boulay, Blondin, Codette, Forget, Gauthier (Gaspé), Girard (who ran as a supporter of the Canadian navy and suddenly at the end of election turned against it), Guilbault, Lavalée, Lesperance, Lamarche, Mondou, Monk, Sevigny, Nantel, Paquet, Pelletier and Rainville.

Twelve of these formed part of the government's majority for the Navy Bill—Messrs. Blondin, Nantel, Paquet, Pelletier, Rainville, Codette, Forget, Gauthier, Girard, Lavalée, Lesperance, Sevigny—voting directly contrary to the pledges under which they were elected.

Had they been true to their pledges and really represented their constituents, they would have opposed the Naval Bill and reduced the government majority to six. Had Mr. Monk been in the House, he has since stated he would also have opposed the bill, which would have reduced the majority to five.

Therefore had the members of parliament all been present and voted according to the dictates of their constituents the government's majority would have been but 5—and the opposition would have represented a large majority of the popular vote. And this in a House 13 members short of what the constitution calls for according to the last census.

The opposition position is that a government so situated has no right to attempt to force through parliament a measure making so great a change in the constitutional procedure of the country without appealing to the people. Therefore in the interests of the people, a majority of whom really represent on this question, they are in duty bound to see that the voice of the people is heard. It is because of the very force of these arguments that the government is so determined to force the measure through and even to invoke the closure to shut off the voice of the people.

A bill introduced in the Legislature by Attorney General Grimmer to amend the judicature act provides an additional judge of the supreme court. This province has now six judges and it needs another about as badly as a coach needs a fifth wheel. The office is being created for the sole purpose of providing a soft berth for some hungry Tory lawyer.

Mr. William Stone road commissioner informs a local paper that he only received \$200 from the government to expend on the Wilsey road last year. Notwithstanding the fact that the Auditor General's report says he got \$301.70, we cheerfully accept his statement. But what we would like to know is, who got the other \$107.70?

Following the visit of Mr. O. S. Crockett, M.P., to the city this week Attorney General Grimmer introduced a bill in the Legislature to create an additional judgeship. Mr. Crockett is not foot alter the job and the fact that he is not the choice of the provincial bar will make no difference to him.

The economical Flemming government has decided to create an additional judgeship.

STOCK MARKET

(By direct private wires to J. C. Mackintosh & Co., 550 Queen Street, Fredericton, N.B.)

New York, N. Y., March 12—Strength prevailed at the opening but there was no great volume of activity. There was a broader buying movement but the supply of stocks was comparatively light. Room traders were still bearish. On a sharp advance immediately following the opening, stocks were supplied in considerable quantity and this not only checked advance but produced a little reaction. Room traders showed much more inclination to sell on decline than to make purchases.

	Open	Close
Copper,	70½	70½
Smelters,	69½	69½
C.P.R.,	224½	224½
Brooklyn,	87½	87½
Great Northern,	127½	127½
Lehigh,	154½	154½
Northern Pacific,	116½	116½
Reading,	156½	156½
Southern Pacific,	101	100½
Union Pacific,	149	148½
U. S. Steel,	60½	60½

MONTREAL MORNING SALES

(Quotations by J. M. Robinson & Sons, Bankers and Brokers, St. John, N. B.)
 Merchants Bank—11 @ 190½; 5 @ 190.
 Royal Bank—7 @ 221; 33 @ 240; 25 @ 261.
 Bank of Commerce—25 @ 21½; 10 @ 214; 100 @ 21½.
 Brazilian—185 @ 95½; 25 @ 95½.
 C. P. R.—25 @ 224½; 110 @ 224; 100 @ 223½; 225 @ 223½.
 Steel of Canada—185 @ 52.
 Detroit—25 @ 74½; 50 @ 74½; 50 @ 221½; 25 @ 221½; 250 @ 221½; 10 @ 241.
 R. & O.—80 @ 111½; 75 @ 111½.
 Shawinigan—25 @ 132; 25 @ 132½; 25 @ 135.
 Spanish River—25 @ 65½.
 Textile—150 @ 84½.
 Twin City—20 @ 104½.
 Crown Reserve—135 @ 385.
 Bell Telephone—25 @ 147.
 Iron Ore—23 @ 102½.
 Coal, Ptd.—10 @ 108.
 Penmans—12 @ 84.
 Car, Ptd.—25 @ 113.
 Cement—17 @ 91½.
 Tuckets—15 @ 95.

PRESENTATION.

A delegation from the local chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star waited upon Mrs. J. H. MacDonald at the Brunswick Street Baptist Parsonage last night and presented her with a beautiful comb and mirror silver mounted and adorned with her monogram in silver. The presentation was made as a token of appreciation of the services in the chapter of Mrs. MacDonald, who is about to leave Fredericton to make her home in Ottawa. Mrs. MacDonald replied to the presentation, which was followed by a social evening, which proved very enjoyable.

HOME FROM NEW YORK.

Messrs. Adam Moore and W. H. Allen, who has been in New York attending the Sportsman's Show, have returned home. They say that the show was very successful and they were able to secure a large amount of business. They confirm the report that the game exhibit was held up at Vancaboro and did not reach New York for the show. A lot of telegraphing was done by the authorities but to no purpose. The exhibit is now supposed to be at Adirondack Junction.

CENTRAL KINGSCLEAR

Central Kingsclear—The death occurred at Kingsclear, Feb. 9th of Mary H. Knight, wife of D. F. Knight, who passed peacefully away after two days sickness with La-grippe. The late Mrs. Knight was converted about fifty years ago at Fredericton and was baptized by the late Rev. Ezekiel McLeod and united with the Free Baptist Church. About a year ago she joined the Reformed Baptist Church at Fredericton. Sister Knight lived a good Christian life, gentle and kind and her last words were expressions of unwavering faith. She said to her daughter, "Tho' I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil for Thou art with me." Sister Knight having reached the ripe age of 88 years was most tenderly cared for by her husband and daughter Mrs. Joseph McKay for the past five years. Mrs. McKay taking the full care of the home. She is survived by her husband and one daughter and one son George H. Bailey of Calgary, one sister, Mrs. Robert Winter Sr., of Fredericton and nine grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren.

PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL

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than grade-cattle. The raising of pigs was one of the best paying lines followed at the farm. Fowls were kept but a modern henry was required.

Fredericton's payment to the hospital was light, being for but one out of eighteen patients at the institution.

To Mr. Woods, Dr. Anglin stated that some patients were anxious to work although in many cases they were apathetic and took little interest in matters. Sometimes a patient would be found who would work too hard.

To Mr. Jones, Dr. Anglin said that Chester White was the chief variety of pig kept on the hospital farm.

To Mr. Wood the superintendent said that there was no greater trouble in connection with escaping patients had been found since the removal of the fence than had been encountered previously.

Pages 72 to 76 inclusive of the Provincial Hospital Report were passed and the thanks of the committee was extended to Dr. Anglin for appearing before the committee.

FOREST CITY

Forest City, March 10—Mr. Joseph Blanchard who has been very sick with pneumonia for some time past is gaining slowly at present. Dr. Johnson of Vancaboro has had charge of the case, and has made several other professional calls in this vicinity lately.

A few of the lumbermen are getting home from the woods. Hanford Gould also Hugh Graham finished their lumbering operations at home on Saturday.

The Progressive Class of the Baptist Sunday School spent a pleasant evening with Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Clark on Wednesday of this week. Our pastor, Rev. J. C. McDonald made several calls at Pemberton Ridge Wednesday. He expects to begin a series of meetings there on Sunday evening to last over the following week.

Mr. and Mrs. Blanchard of Howland, Me. were in town recently.

Mrs. H. Houghton who has been spending a few days with her daughter Mrs. Hanford Gould, has returned home.

Melzie Graham went with his uncle to Eel River Lake on Saturday.

Miss Hazel McFawn and Miss Leah Gould spent the week end with friends of North Lake and Fosterville.

AT THE UNIQUE

Another of those well known Broncho features will head the program at the popular Unique theatre today, in two parts entitled "A Blue Grass Romance." A beautiful drama by Lubin "The Supreme Sacrifice" featuring the old favorite Mr. Johnstone and a Vitagraph photo play "The Old Guard" will also be shown. Altogether a very pleasing program.

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