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## A KHAKEE ELECTION

It will surprise most people in Canada to learn that the plotting for a "khaki election" throughout Canada is still going on, says the Montreal Herald.

In spite of a wave of popular indignation—indignation that was voiced by the best Conservative journals and by conservative electors and workers who place patriotism above party—that was strong enough completely to kill any idea of a Dominion election in November and December, a section of the Borden cabinet is bent upon having an election immediately after the New Year dawns. This particular section of the cabinet is composed of the men who generally get their own way and, although it is understood—and can readily be believed—that Sir Robert Borden himself is much opposed to the idea, the matter is gone so far that the only seal stumbling-block to the immediate dissolution of parliament is His Royal Highness the Governor-General. As one removed from the pettiness of mere political advantage it is said that His Royal Highness regards the suggestion of an election just now as savoring somewhat of treason.

It is an open secret that when some weeks ago a general election was suggested there was an avalanche of protest from business men throughout Canada and the situation summed up in a word, was that nobody but the politicians wanted an election just now. And of the politicians which? Certainly not the Liberals, for they have loyally stood behind their beloved leader, who, on the day that war was declared, pronounced a truce to party strife.

In all the tremendous spending of the people's money the Liberals have not voiced a single criticism and everything that has been done has gone to the world as the unanimous expression of Canada's loyalty.

Then in the midst of it all comes this persistent and unworthy attempt to split our people into rival political camps. In London they laughed at the suggestion; they did not believe that we had a government so base as to try to ride into power again on a khaki covered horse at a time like this. But apparently the Londoners knew the Borden government they did not know all the members of it.

So whether we are to have an immediate dissolution or not, depends evidently upon the Duke of Connaught. The Governor-General will act strictly in accordance with constitutional usage. May His Royal Highness, for the credit of Canada's good name find a constitutional way to reject his minister's request for a dissolution of parliament just now!

## ON THE SIDE

Poland is still waiting for the hardest fight that ever Warsaw.

"The Kaiser is able to sit up." And he probably also takes notice.

The French cabinet, instead of the kaiser, comes to spend Christmas in Paris.

On Dec. 10, the scheduled date, Calais was still untaken by the Germans. "Calais, Calais, oh, fabulous day!" chortle the Allies.

"Auto suggestion" is presented by an authority as a cure for divorce. But some folks blame the auto for the whole trouble.

Our idea of Christmas optimism is that Western town that is going to have a Christmas tree, although it will be only a telephone pole trimmed with sage brush.

A friend of ours who has been walking the floor nights with his youngest informs us that rearward "a citizenry trained and accustomed to arms" is not all that it is cracked up to be.

As the Allied offensive gradually progresses, Germany's original intention of reimbursing Belgium for any

damage seems more and more like a thing to be depended upon.

The meanest woman we ever knew publicly gave a sister thirty-six napkins for a present on the occasion of her twenty-ninth birthday anniversary.

The German navy has accomplished something at last. A fleet of seven fast cruisers yesterday bombarded three unfortified towns on the English coast, killed a number of non-combatants, destroyed some private property and escaped in the fog. It was undoubtedly a daring feat but will serve no good purpose for the enemy. They will pay dearly for it some day.

Since the days of Julius Caesar, attacks on the British coasts by foreign foe have been few and far between. The Spanish Armada attempted it four hundred years ago and met defeat. What ships escaped destruction at the hands of the British fleet under Lord Howard, were wrecked on the Orkney Islands.

Tory politicians from the east, west north and south have been in Fredericton this week lending a helping hand to Premier Clarke, who has undertaken to form a government. It seems to be a long way to Tipperary.

Senator Jeffrey, a Liberal senator, passed away at his home in Toronto, on Wednesday. He was president of the Toronto Globe publishing Company.



## J. B. M. BAXTER

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grafters and the graft press put up a vigorous kick against him and the premier was reluctantly compelled to yield.

The friends of Mr. Baxter claim that he was not anxious to enter the government, but was finally prevailed upon to accept in order to help Premier Clarke out of a hole. The prospect of a rich harvest on succession duties during the coming year is said to have some influence on the decision of Mr. Baxter. His acceptance of office will open the constituency of St. John county for a by-election and the indications are that there will be a contest.

Mr. Baxter arrived in the city last evening accompanied by Hon. John E. Wilson, Senator Daniel and Chief Whip Harry Woods. They were in session with Premier Clarke until a late hour and the slate fixed up. A delegation composed of Donald Munroe and G. L. White, M.P.P.'s for Carleton, who have been here for several days urging the claims of Mr. B. Franklin Smith to a portfolio, were finally given to understand that there was nothing doing.

The ministry as reconstructed is as follows:

Premier and Minister of Lands and Mines—Hon. George J. Clarke.

Attorney General—Hon. J. B. Baxter.

Provincial Secretary Treasurer—Hon. Dr. Landry.

Minister of Public Works—Hon. John Morrissey.

Minister of Agriculture—Hon. J. A. Murray.

Without portfolio—Hon. John E. Wilson.

The meeting of the new executive is being held this afternoon when it is expected that the writ for the St. John County by-election will be issued.

## St. John &amp; Quebec Railway Co.

## TIME TABLE No. 1

Taking Effect December 18th, 1914

South Bound Read Down North Bound Read Up

## Atlantic Standard Time

Time of Arrival and departure	Time of Arrival and departure
Centreville 7.00 a.m. 8.00 p.m.	
Lakeville 7.30 a.m. 7.40 p.m.	
Avondale Road 7.37 a.m. 7.30 p.m.	
Lindsay 7.50 a.m. 7.15 p.m.	
Belleville 8.02 a.m. 7.05 p.m.	
Woodstock 8.24 a.m. 6.35 p.m.	
L. 8.40 a.m. A. 6.20 p.m.	
Flemmington 9.05 a.m. 5.50 p.m.	
Meductic 9.27 a.m. 5.35 p.m.	
Temple 9.35 a.m. 5.25 p.m.	
Allandale 9.55 a.m. 5.05 p.m.	
Pokok 10.01 a.m. 4.55 p.m.	
Barony 10.12 a.m. 4.49 p.m.	
Rosborough 10.40 a.m. 4.15 p.m.	
Longs Creek 11.00 a.m. 3.58 p.m.	
Kingsclear 11.08 a.m. 3.50 p.m.	
Indian Village 11.25 a.m. 3.35 p.m.	
Cherry Bank 11.40 a.m. 3.18 p.m.	
Fredericton 12.00 noon 3.00 p.m.	

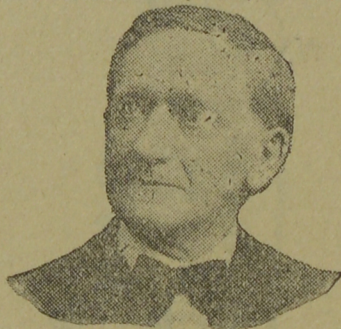
Ross Thompson  
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## LOCAL NEWS

## A VETERAN CLERGYMAN.

St. John Times—Rev. J. C. Berde, supernumerary of Centenary church, will celebrate his seventy-fourth birthday on Christmas Day. He has been preaching for fifty-one years—ten in London, Eng., and forty one in Canada. Few clergymen in this province are so well known as he and on all sides he numbers warm friends. In summer and winter, through sunshine and rain, he has carried on his work with steadfast purpose and his preaching has not always been that of the pulpit alone. The word of encouragement, of kindly sympathy, of ready cheeriness is ever on his lips in his meetings with friends and they are not few who have recognized the honest heartiness of the grip of his hand and who have been the better for a few minutes chat with this worthy man. There will be many to wish for him and his good wife many more happy years together.

## STOCK MARKET RATHER DULL

New York, N.Y., Dec. 17.—The apparent scarcity of a number of stocks when bidding for short or other urgent account takes place, is now declared to be due to the investment absorptions that has been going on for some weeks. It is estimated that several hundred millions of securities have been taken out of the Stock Market and this naturally imports an element of great strength to the underlying situation. German selling is traced in a number of securities in this market. There is some English buying but very little, according to International interests. It is intimated that English buyers are disinclined to purchase because of the fact that the money in payment will go towards helping the war against the Allies. New York interests are understood to be supporting the London market for American securities.

	Open	Noon
Amn. Best Sugar	30½	31½
Amal. Copper	54	55
C.P.R.	157½	157½
Utah Copper	48	49½
Lehigh Valley	135½	135½
Northern Pacific	102	102
Pennsylvania	107½	108
Reading	148	148½
Southern Pacific	85½	86½
Union Pacific	118½	118½
U.S. Steel	50½	50½

Mr. J. B. M. Baxter of St. John, is stopping at the Barker.

## WATER NOTICE.

Water consumers are again reminded that the water rates are now due and that the water for those who are in arrears for more than one term is liable to be shut off without further notice.

This applies to every one. G. R. PERKINS, Collector of Water Rates.

## Notice

If the gentleman who bought the two turkeys at the market this morning will kindly call at The Mail Office and pay for them he will confer a favor as the man who sold them does not know the address.

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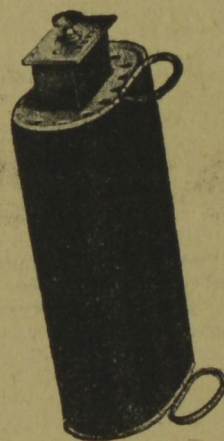
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