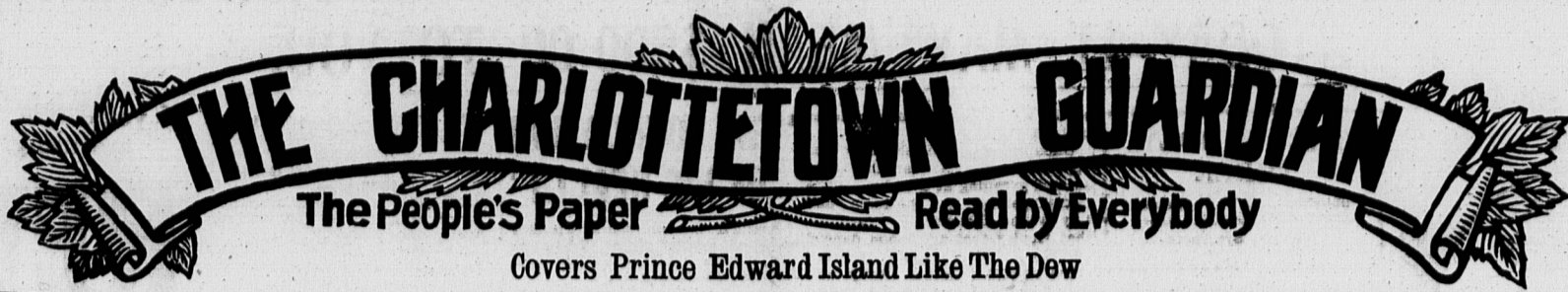


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## The Following Editorial Appeared in the Montreal Witness, October 14

### A NEW WAVE OF PROSPERITY

Canada is regaining her prosperity. There can be no doubt about that. Mr. E. W. Beatty, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway made a short statement on his return from the West which speaks volumes. "Business is on the upgrade," he said. "It is generally admitted that prospects as a whole are very much better than they were at this time last year, and the financial skies are considerably brighter. Speaking for our directors as well as for myself I can assure you there is no lack of confidence in the country or in its ultimate destiny." Mr. Beatty is not the type of man who speaks without knowledge. The condition of the Canadian Pacific has been long regarded as a barometer of the general condition of the country. But Mr. Beatty would not necessarily be confined to his own organization for his information. Anyone who cares to take the trouble can verify the facts by reference to the government statistical bureau at Ottawa whose findings have never been questioned. The value of field crops for last year was 919 millions of dollars. This year the final estimate is 1318 millions. In other words, the farmers of Canada will have at least a third more money to spend this year than last. The effects of this are already apparent. Reports from industrial centres indicate that business is decidedly better than for the past few years—and this in spite of the temporary lull that always accompanies an election campaign. This, of course, simply bears out the truth of the statement made by Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor at the last annual meeting of the Bank of Montreal. "Let us make the countryside prosperous and the towns will look after themselves," said Sir Frederick.

## ANOTHER CHINESE CITY FALLS

(Special to the Guardian)  
SHANGHAI, Oct. 19.—The army of General Sun Chuan Pang checking provincial military forces captured Nanking capital of Kiangsu province this afternoon thus firmly establishing Sun along the coast south of the Yangtze River. Minor skirmishes occurred in the streets of Nanking prior to the retreat of the French troops northward. Foreigners were not disturbed. Shanghai student agitators are growing restive following the withdrawal of General Shieh Shieh Lien, Fengtin commander. Martial law was abandoned and the absence of strong hand in the native city is felt.

## How The Liberals Make Their Surpluses

(Hansard, April 30, 1925, P. 2733.)  
"Mr. MEIGHEN: I am not saying he claimed it did. The point is this: The year before, the \$35,000,000 in take account of the cash advances for the National Railways. Why the difference? The difference was just in order to get a headline surplus instead of a headline deficit. Not content with leaving out the guarantees, as was done last year, with leaving out the cash advances, as was done last year, he thought that would not be quite enough, so he quietly took the Quebec Harbour Commission moneys and put them all aside, too, giving as his excuse that that commission was not paying interest. Then he took the merchant marine advance, \$900,000 and set that to one side, too, and by the time he got all these four things to one side he had \$1,823,000 of a surplus. Now, that surplus took into account all ordinary expenditure. It took into account more: it took into account all capital expenditure and all special expenditure, but it left out these and other things, every one of which but one was included last year. "Now, I endeavored to set the hon. member for St. Lawrence-St. George right when he was speaking. He claimed then—he will not now, for he has looked into it—that the \$1,823,000 was merely the excess of revenue over ordinary expenditure. It was not; it was revenue over ordinary capital and special capital expenditure, but it leaves out cash advanced to the railway, cash advanced to the merchant marine, \$600,000 of the Quebec Harbour Commission, and all the guarantees."

## Aged Man Kills Self and Sister

(Canadian Press)  
LIVERPOOL, N. S., Oct. 19.—Henry Innes, 60 shot and killed his sister Mrs. Lawrence Thirault with whom he boarded then turned a rifle on himself shooting his head off at Westportmouton near here at about ten o'clock this morning. Mrs. Thirault aged about forty five is survived by a husband and seven children.

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## THE FARMER THE BACKBONE OF THE COUNTRY

By W. R. MORSON  
It is costing the farmer a lot of money and causing him to suffer a lot of distress, to enjoy the distinction of being called "The Backbone of the Country." Our "statesmen" are trying to make the country all back-bone. All but farmers are discouraged from coming to Canada. This means that we grow more than we can consume ourselves, and having an exportable surplus, we must sell that surplus at the lowest world price. Also our sales at home must be made at the same price, less the cost of freight to Liverpool. Instead of forcing the farmer into the position of having an exportable surplus, and taking the lowest price, we should cultivate a well-rounded economic system, under which one class would produce only what the other classes could consume, and do away with unprofitable exportable surpluses, so that our farm products could be protected and sold at a Canadian price, instead of at a world price.  
It is time for the farmer to rise in his might, and strenuously object to having only competitors of his brought to this country, and his customers told to stay out. It may sound nice to be called a "back-bone," but the price takes away a lot of the pleasure. It was eighty years ago that the farmer was called the backbone of the country, and at that time he was such; but, since the invention of ingenious agricultural machinery, which lessens the number of farmers required, and since the introduction of a thousand and one luxuries and necessities that we use today, which were not known eighty years ago, we must employ many more city dwellers than farmers to supply our needs. Those who wrote textbooks on economics, eighty and a hundred years ago, knew nothing of bicycles, motor-cycles, automobiles, electric cars, telephones, telegrams, wireless telegraphs, radios, airplanes, movies, typewriters, piano-players, gramophones, electrical devices, and many other things, in common use today. These must all be manufactured in the towns and cities. As a matter of fact, the world has changed more, mechanically and economically, in the last 40 years, than it did in the 1884 years preceding, or back to the time of Christ. So that many pet ideas of the economists, wise in their day, have become meaningless shibboleths, and must be thrown into the discard. Any country that is to grow to important stature, and prosper, and be self-reliant, and self-contained, must have a much smaller farmer than urban population. We should aim at being well-rounded economically, and, until we do so, our farmers will never get a square deal. It is galling to a patriotic Canadian to see early fruits and vegetables coming into Canada, taking the taste out of our mouths, and depriving our farmers of the decided advantage of being first in the market. Those who want the luxury of early fruits and vegetables should have to pay a fancy price for them. We are "kicked out" of Uncle Sam's market, let us "kick" Uncle Sam out of ours. The tariff means to us prosperity. It means a full dinner-pail, a full purse, a full strong-box. Our financial, our economic existence is bound up with the tariff, because that position is forced on us by the attitude of our neighbor. We should not complain of his wisdom, but rather seek to amend our own foolishness.

## MEIGHEN CONSISTENT IN ADVOCATION OF POLICY

### Tells The West The Tariff Must be Reformed Upwards to Remedy The Trade Depression of The Dominion.

WINNIPEG, Oct. 19.—Forty-five speeches in 18 days is the record of Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen's campaign tour in the West which came to an end last night. Since his meetings at the head of the lakes at the end of September, the Conservative leader has spoken that number of speeches at public meetings besides brief addresses at party gatherings and women's organization rallies. At least 16 meetings have been planned for the ten week days intervening before election during which time Mr. Meighen will confine himself to Ontario. He will not visit Quebec. Tonight the leader of the Opposition is en route to Stabury where on Monday evening he will commence the last leg of a strenuous pilgrimage. Handicapped at the outset by neuritis, Mr. Meighen now is apparently completely restored to health. In the last three days he has made about a score of speeches in Manitoba, chiefly in his own constituency of Portage La Prairie. His campaign in the west has included an advocacy of tariff reform as a panacea for trade depression in the Dominion, beneficial alike for east and west. He has assured his western audiences that he would impose in his very first budget higher duties on the products of the farm, bringing them to a level more nearly approximating those in force in the United States on sixty products. He also advocates a higher tariff on farm implements on the ground that recent reductions have resulted in no benefit to the farmers while they have injured the industry in Canada. His attitude to freight rates, which has been called in question by many of his opponents in the west, he defines as one of strict neutrality until the railway commission has completed its investigation of the whole question of freight rate equalization. Then he is ready to subsidize the transportation of certain essential products from the extreme west and extreme east. In money the years total will be where such subsidy appears east of the \$12,000,000 mark.

## THE CONSERVATIVE AND LIBERAL RECORDS COMPARED

### WHAT HAS BEEN DONE FOR THIS PROVINCE.

On the eve of an Election when the present King Government is asking for support it might be well for the electors to compare the present Government's record with that of the Conservative Government in power during the years 1912 to 1916. The Government from 1917 to 1921 was a Union Government organized for the purpose of the War and all the energy of that Government was directed towards War problems. In the latter part of 1911 the Borden Government came in power and shortly after a Conservative Provincial Government was elected in this Province. Both working together, and with the help of our Federal representatives, the question of winter communications was settled by the building of the terminals at Borden and Tormentine at a very large expense, and together with the Car Ferry, this work remains as the most important concession to this Province since Confederation. Then the gauge was widened, and thus our winter transportation problems, which had been a source of petitions and representations at Ottawa since we became a province, was for the first time solved. After that came the question of our claims against the Dominion, and here again this Island received a sympathetic hearing with the result that \$100,000 per year for all time to come was added to the revenues of the Province. This was not all. For years we had been struggling with an inferior telegraph service. There was one poor cable between Cape Traverse and Tormentine which was frequently out of service. Our land lines were in a deplorable condition. The Borden Government gave us a four core cable between Borden and Tormentine, thus serving the Railway, the Telephone and Telegraph companies. The land lines were rebuilt at a large expense. We received a night letter service which we did not previously have and were placed on an even basis with other Provinces. Then came the question of our dwindling representation in the House of Commons. We were threatened with the loss of another representative, and of a like loss on each succeeding census, until our representation in the Commons would have fallen to one only. This question the Conservative Government settled for all time, and although our representation of six was not restored, we were able to obtain that we should suffer no further losses but that our representation in the Commons should remain at four. These are a few of the more important things done for this Province by the Conservative Government at Ottawa working in accord with the Provincial Conservative Government in the years 1912, 1913, 1914 and 1915; and it is a record to be proud of. The King Government came to power in 1921, whilst a Liberal Government was in power here. Will any one please come forward and point out what great things have been done for this Island since 1921? It is true an immigration agent by the name of Mitchell was appointed with the result that the name of Prince Edward Island stinks in the nostrils of any intending immigrant from the British Isles. It is true that we had a Publicity Agent in this Province given us by the Conservative Borden Government, and this has been taken away. It is equally true that we had a Sanatorium, and through the incompetence of the Bell Government we lost this without compensation, when we could easily have obtained \$100,000. Need it be added that when all the above concessions were obtained we did not have a Minister in the Federal Cabinet.

## Record Year For Cattle Shipments

(Special to the Guardian)  
OTTAWA, Oct. 19.—This year's cattle shipment from Canada to the United Kingdom will considerably exceed 1,000,000 head. While the British demand is at present easing off somewhat the total for 1925 will be a record breaker. The monthly average was well over 10,000, extreme west and extreme east. In money the years total will be where such subsidy appears above the \$12,000,000 mark.

## KING'S UNIVERSITY LEAGUE ORGANIZED

Last evening a large number of men from the congregations of St. Paul's Church and St. Peter's Cathedral met in the Board of Trade Rooms to hear an address by Rev. Dr. Moore, President of the University of King's College, Halifax. Among those present were His Honor Judge Warburton in the chair, L.B. Miller, W. E. Owen, Colonel Peake, C. Cumming, Percy Pope D. B. Stewart, Harry Winchester, Henry Lowe, W. E. Cotton, R. L. Cotton, Walter Hyndman, Dr. Tidmarsh, Victor Purdie, Thomas May, W. L. Cotton, C. M. Williams, R. H. Stewart, W. E. Bentley, W. G. Hogg, Mr. Carbonell, Harold Palmer, J.E. Harris T. E. McNutt, A. B. Cosh, J. Hyndman, George DeBlais, Gordon Wright, Noel de la Roche, Foster, H. J. Palmer, Colonel Cook. Dr. Moore on being called upon delivered an inspiring address, outlining briefly what has taken place at the College since the old building (Continued on Page 3)

## RUM THIEVES RAID GOV'T WAREHOUSE

### Robbery is Discovered by Garage Worker and Police Notified

SYDNEY, N. S., Oct. 19.—In a daring raid at the Government excise warehouse, George street, in the heart of the business district, some time between midnight and 5 o'clock this morning, "boozie burglars got away with between ten and fifteen 10-gallon kegs of seized contraband liquor, valued locally at \$10 per gallon. Access to the building was gained by boring a hole through a side door and lifting off a bar. The warehouse floor and the basement are used jointly by the customs authorities and the city, as a storehouse for captured liquor. City Inspector McRae was in the building depositing the proceeds of a raid on a local bootlegger at about 11:30 Saturday night and states that he left everything in order. Discovered at 5 a. m. The robbery was discovered at 5 o'clock this morning by a man employed in a garage across the street who, noticing the door open, notified the police. The city seized liquor are stored in a separate room of the building under locks and nothing was missing. The government liquor was stored in the basement and the thieves evidently worked very quietly while getting their booty to the ground floor and to a waiting motor truck, as a family living in the second floor of the building were not disturbed.

## Crowded Meeting At Bradalbane

The political meeting held last night at Bradalbane was attended by an overflow audience, one of the largest that has ever assembled in the Bradalbane Hall, and certainly the biggest that has attended any of the meetings of the campaign so far. The hall was literally packed and many of the crowd, though aisles and platform were also occupied, were unable to gain admittance, but the speakers through the open door and windows. The conditions were ideal for the heckler, and he was found not to be absent. Frequent interruptions from the rear of the hall inconvenienced the speakers of both sides. Mr. Malcolm Stewart acted as chairman and introduced the speakers in the following order: Messrs. Messervey, Sinclair, MacKinnon, and Jenkins. The issues taken up by the candidates did not differ to any great extent from those discussed at the previous meetings. Before the close of the meeting addresses were also made by Mr. A. J. McNevin and Hon. Murdoch Kennedy, who both made vigorous attacks on the past record of the King government, and pointed out its lack of a concise and clear cut policy. The speaker in which it was going about the completion of standardisation of the Island railway came in for a good share of criticism. An extended report of the meeting will appear later.

## Three Premiers To Speak at Amherst

(Canadian Press)  
AMHERST, N. S., Oct. 19.—For the first time in history the three Premiers of the Maritime Province, Hon. E. N. Rhodes of Nova Scotia, Hon. J. B. M. Baxter of N. B., and Hon. J. D. Stewart of P. E. I. will appear on the same platform in the same political interests. Announcement was made here this afternoon that the three Premiers would address a mass meeting in the armories in the evening of nomination day Thursday, Oct. 22nd. Robert K. Smith the Liberal Conservative Candidate in Cumberland will be the fourth speaker.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Oct. 19.—With a dead man's hand gripping the throttle the Western Express bound for Chicago rushed 15 miles through the night before the fireman discovered that Engineer William C. Vanbergen's head had been crushed by a girder on a bridge.

## Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc.

- Come to dance in Belfast Hall on Thursday 22nd. Admission 25 cts. Candy, cake and coffee served. 5558-10-19-21.
- Grand Entertainment at Kelly's Cross Hall on Thursday evening, October 22nd at 8 o'clock. 5592-20-31
- Reserve Tuesday Oct. 27th for concert in Mt. Herbert Consolidated School under Prof. Fletcher's direction. 5591
- Remember clearance Auction sale of Stock, Grop, implements at James McFadyen's, St. Catharines, Wednesday at 1 o'clock sharp. 5585
- Hallow'en Dance Friday, Oct. 30. Bring your friends. Help the Orphanage. Watch further notices. 5583-10-20-21
- Reserve Thursday, October 22nd, for concert and basket social in Cornwall Hall, City talent. Admission 25 cts. Ladies with baskets free. Proceeds for piano fund. 5554-10-20M31.

SOME DUMB-BELLS THINK 'FISCAL YEAR' MEANS THE BOXING SEASON



TORONTO, Oct. 20. — Strong winds and gales south shifting to southwest showery. Toronto, clear. 50-42 Montreal, cloudy. 45-36 Quebec, cloudy. 42-30 Halifax, fair. 50-20 St. John fair. 48-30 Boston, fair. 54-44 New York, cloudy. 52-48 Charlottetown fair. 43-31 High tide this afternoon 12.42, and tomorrow morning at 12.17. Sun sets this afternoon at 5.06, and rises tomorrow morning at 6.25. First quarter moon Saturday, October 24th, 2.14 p.m. Summerside tide, eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

## TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND THURSDAY THE BIG DAYS

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