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ACADIA ATHENÆUM

In 1888 he was elected to the legislature of New Brunswick, for the County of Albert. He was appointed a member of the Legislative Council and successfully advocated the abolition of that body. The abolition took effect on the dissolution of the House of Assembly in September, 1892. While a member of the Legislative Council Mr Emmerson was invited to become a member of the Blair Government, as President of the Executive Council and leader of the Government in the Upper House, and accepted. On the dissolution of the Legislative Assembly in September, 1892, Mr Emmerson was sworn in as Chief Commissioner of Public Works, and successfully contested the County of Albert at the General Elections which followed. He has since continued to represent that County, having been reelected at the General Elections in 1895, and 1899, and still holds the portfolio of Minister of Public Works.

On the resignation of Hon. James Mitchell as Premier, because of ill health, in Oct., 1897, Mr Emmerson was called upon by the Lieut. Governor to form a Government which he did successfully, and has since continued as Premier of the Province, his government being overwhelmingly sustained at the General Elections, there being only 5 of the 46 members elected in opposition to the government.

Mr Emmerson was for several years a Director of the Maritime Baptist Publishing Co. of St John, and a member of the Senate of Acadia University. He has recently resigned the latter position having been appointed on the nomination of the Alumni Society of the University a member of the Board of Governors of the University of Acadia. In religion Mr Emmerson is a Baptist, a member of the Dorchester Baptist Church, N. B., and takes a deep interest in the welfare of the denomination. He is chairman of the Canadian Naional Baptist Convention Committee, which was appointed to arrange for a Convention of the Baptists of Canada to be held in Winnipeg in September, 1899.

Mr Emmerson has discharged the responsible duties to which he has been called with dignity and ability, and his moral fearlessness coupled with a most genial manner has won for him the respect and liking not only of his friends but also of many of his political enemies. The people of New Brunswick displayed in a most striking manner, the confidence they have in him, and in his government by the overwhelming majority they gave to him in the last political contest.

Class Prophecy 1899.

In the year of our Lord 1920 I died.

Those to whom this message may come will pardon, I hope, the introduction here of such a seemingly trivial incident, as it has a very important bearing upon what is to follow. And really I had no other course. Let me explain.

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