

HON. C. W. ROBINSON IS APPOINTED MINISTER OF LANDS AND MINES

Premier Foster announced last evening that Hon. Clifford W. Robinson had been offered and had accepted the portfolio of lands and mines recently made vacant by the resignation of Hon. Dr. Smith. Hon. Mr. Robinson has been a member of the Foster cabinet without portfolio since its formation in 1917. The news of the appointment will give keen satisfaction all over the province because Mr. Robinson is one of the outstanding public men of the day.

The new minister was born in Moncton and represents that constituency in the legislature. His father was candidate for Westmorland county on two occasions. He is one of the leading lawyers of the province. In 1896 he contested Westmorland county against H. A. Powell, K. C., and was defeated by fifteen votes. Less than a year later he was elected to the legislature by acclamation in a by-election and re-elected in the general elections of 1899 and 1903. He was elected speaker of the third assembly, Feb. 28, 1901, and of the fourth on March 26, 1903. In 1907 he was made a member of the executive council without portfolio in the government led by Hon. William Pugsley and a few weeks later became provincial secretary, being returned by acclamation on his appeal to his constituency. On May 31, 1907, he was called to the premiership on the resignation of Hon. Mr. Pugsley and was re-elected at the general elections in March, 1910. His party having been defeated, however, he was sworn in soon as minister of lands and mines. He was elected at the general elections of 1917, and upon the formation of the Foster cabinet on April 4, 1917, he was taken into the government without portfolio.

Hon. Mr. Robinson will be sworn in as minister of lands and mines within a few days, on the return of the lieutenant-governor, who is now absent.



HON. C. W. ROBINSON, who is to be sworn in soon as minister of lands and mines.

York Convention Chooses Four Good Candidates

Fine Gathering in Government Interests—The Opposition Choice in York—Kent Farmer Candidates.

Fredericton, Sept. 25.—The provincial government party in York county on Saturday afternoon nominated a strong ticket to contest the county in the present campaign at a convention which has never been surpassed in the history of the county. The nominees are:

- Coun. John T. Christie, Keswick, farmer.
- Coun. Frank Coburn, Harvey, farmer.
- Peter S. Watson, Devon, merchant.
- J. Bacon Dickson, Fredericton, barrister.

The convention, which was held in the Knights of Pythias hall, Fredericton, and every town and parish of the county with the exception of two remote parishes was represented. It was also marked by the presence of the first woman delegate to a Liberal convention in York county, Mrs. L. C. Morrison, of Queensbury.

The ticket nominated Saturday goes into the election with a solid party behind it, bent upon placing York county where it was prior to 1908 so far as provincial representation is concerned. The substitution of Charles D. Richards for Dr. W. C. Crockett on the opposition ticket has added no strength to it, it is felt here, and the party for which ticket stands has lost ground steadily in the last four years.

The government ticket gives strong representation to the large agricultural population of the county, two of the four members being farmers. Councillor Christie not only is a farmer, but is a member of the United Farmers' organization, but one who is opposed to the organization being exploited for the political ambitions of some of its members, believing that its usefulness lies in the promotion of the farmers co-operatively and in other practical ways. Both Councillor Coburn and Councillor Christie won signal victories at the last municipal elections in strong Conservative parishes, and have since given excellent service to the York municipal council.

In the parish of Manners Sutton Councillor Coburn defeated a councillor who had held a seat for eighteen years. He also has given excellent service to the public as highway supervisor in his district. In Mr. Watson, the government ticket has one of the most progressive of the younger merchants of the county. His connection with the Fredericton Park Association and the maritime and Maine harness racing circuit has made him well known throughout the province. He also has taken a prominent place in the York county Commercial Club. J. Bacon Dickson, the Fredericton man on the ticket, is prominent among the younger members of the bar of the province. He has held the office of clerk assistant of the legislative assembly and performed its duties in a manner which won the approbation of all members of the legislature, irrespective of party affiliations. He is the son of the late J. Howe Dickson, of this city, formerly of Albert county, for many years clerk of the executive council of the province. He has taken a prominent part in the activities of a number of local organizations.

A. H. Vanwart, chairman of the York County Association, presided. He outlined the purpose of the convention and gave a few remarks on the general political conditions in the province and the necessity of returning the Foster administration to power.

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"There's a Reason"

A. A. Sterling said that the Alliance was going too far. He did not approve of candidates being throttled. The Alliance had gone so far as to actually publish a demand that candidates pledge themselves to support a resolution for a referendum on the matter mentioned. He considered this an attempt to take legislation out of the hands of representatives of the people and place in the hands of the temperance alliance. It was an unfair demand of any candidate. Norman Hanson suggested that there should be an amendment of the Workers' Compensation Act so as to bring non-resident employers under the provisions of the act. He also said that if the temperance alliance intended to exact pledges from candidates it should go farther and ask for legislation to compel every elector to vote. A fair expression of opinion had not been obtained on the last referendum.

W. P. Lawson moved that the matter of the temperance alliance pledge be left to individual candidates and not to the convention. This resolution was passed. On the motion of A. A. Sterling, seconded by Councillor E. H. Allen, a resolution of appreciation of the services of P. J. Hughes in exposing the wrongdoing of the old government was passed. Mr. Hughes replied in a most feeling manner.

Frank J. Patterson spoke in support of W. G. Clark's suggestion and said he would support only candidates who would take the alliance pledge. E. C. Barry said that the convention was discussing a subject outside its scope. The alliance was taking an unusual course in having members attend a convention and attempt to have a convention pledge candidates to meet the wishes of the alliance. The proper procedure would be to approach candidates individually. The candidates had not known in advance of nomination and had not time to consider the matter. Adjustment then was made.

Fredericton, Sept. 25.—The Conservatives of York at a well-attended convention at the court house Saturday afternoon nominated as their candidates for the coming election, the following: Charles D. Richards, of Fredericton; John A. Young, of Taymouth; S. B. Hunter, of Harvey Station, and J. K. Pinder, of Pennefather Vale. The nomination was made on motion of Mayor J. W. Walker, of Marysville, and was unanimous. J. D. Palmer presided at the convention and Charles Dougherty acted as secretary.

Mr. Pinder announced in 1917 that he would not be a candidate at this election, but no other suitable man could be found willing to step into the gap, and he consented to run, no doubt against his better judgment.

Mr. Richards takes the place of Dr. W. C. Crockett, of this city, who refused to run again. The balance of the ticket is the same as before. Colonel H. F. McLeod, M. P., federal representative for York-Sunbury, spoke after the four candidates had made speeches of acceptance, in which the provincial government was condemned for heavy expenditure. Colonel McLeod devoted particular attention to the united farmer movement which he characterized as a class movement.

Fredericton, Sept. 26.—Hon. P. J. Veniot is to address a meeting at the Opera House here Thursday evening, and will speak the same evening at Marysville.

LADY E. CAVENDISH DIES IN ENGLAND

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Vancouver, Sept. 26.—The Duke of Devonshire, governor general of Canada, received word on Friday of the death in England of his mother, Lady Emma Cavendish. The vice-regal party, which arrived here yesterday, will not be able to fill all their engagements on the coast as a consequence.

Today is the day of the annual harvest full moon, which will be followed by more than a week of bright evenings, if the clouds keep away. For several days the moon will rise about the same time each evening, the variation amounting to from eight minutes to about a quarter of an hour. The moon will be full at 1:57 p. m.

GOOD ROADS

Tribute to Government's Work From a Professional Gentleman in Providence, R. I.

In Writing to a Friend in Moncton He Commends the Road Improvements Made by the Foster Government.

(Moncton Transcript.)

The following extracts from a letter written by a Providence (R. I.) professional gentleman to a friend here makes interesting reading:

"I was very much interested during my recent trip to notice the improvements in road conditions generally throughout New Brunswick, and pleased to see that attention was being paid to the Irish town and Shediac roads. "Twelve years ago I went over both of these roads in a heavy car and found them fairly good county roads, but three years later had difficulty in getting through to Richibucto. My drive over the roads a few weeks ago shows wonderful improvements, and I sincerely trust that the splendid work started will be put through to completion."

REJECT REPORT.

Springfield, N. S., Sept. 26.—By a vote of 543 to 3, the miners of this district on Saturday rejected, as a whole, the report of the Royal Commission, which recently investigated the coal mining industry in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. By a vote of 428 to 28, the miners rejected the recommendations of the United Mine Workers' executive. The miners want the increased pay retroactive to May 1, instead of June, as recommended by the U. M. W. executive. More than sixty per cent. of the miners voted.

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WAITING FOR C. N. R. BOARD TO MEET

Dr. Barnhill, Home After Tour of Inspection, Says Terminal and Other Matters Will be Considered at Next Full Meeting.

Dr. A. P. Barnhill, K.C., a director of the Canadian National Railways Board, returned to the city Saturday after accompanying President D. B. Hanna and the other members of the board on a tour of inspection that included all the important portions of the C.N.R. system in the maritime provinces—Fredericton, St. John, Moncton, Sackville, Truro, Halifax, Sydney and New Glasgow were some of the places visited. Dr. Barnhill said last night that no report upon the

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recommendations of the board would be given until a meeting of the complete board is held, probably within a week or ten days, when all the matters of importance which arose during the eastern trip would be thoroughly considered.

Bandits Shot

Regina, Sept. 26.—According to advices received today the two remaining Barrows bandits were shot to death in a haystack a few miles east of Prince Albert. In the shooting the stack was set on fire and both bodies burned.



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