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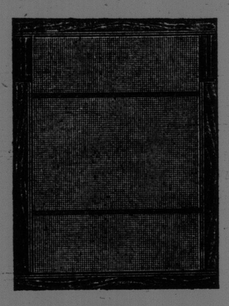

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THE GOVERNMENT'S NEGLECT OF GLOUCESTER COUNTY

Has Embittered Members from That Constituency—Refusal to Continue the Subsidy for Steamship Service to the Island

FREDERICTON, N. B., May 29.—The independent members for Gloucester are up in arms against the government of New Brunswick because the subsidy for the steamer Beaver which was granted by the late government this year is to be cut off. This steamer plies between the islands of Shippegan and Miscou and the mainland and is practically the only means of communication the people of these islands which are rapidly growing in importance, have. For many years little attention was given to the development of these two islands which form part of the parish of Shippegan. Their growing importance was first recognized some years ago when Chief Commissioner Labillois, built a road in Miscou, the first they ever had which has proved a great convenience to the people and facilited further settlement. The next move was the establishment of steam communication which has been of further assistance in developing the island which occupy and unexcelled position for those engaged in the fishing industry.

Mr. Byrue also is endeavoring to obtain a reconsideration of the question of the subsidy on the part of the government, pointed out that the county of Gloucester bids fair to add largely to the provincial revenues in the next few years. The discovery of immense iron deposits within the county and the fact that they have passed into the hands of one of the largest iron producing concerns of Canada and are to be operated immediately on an extensive scale, means a considerable revenue from royalties to the Province. Then again Gloucester pays quite a revenue into the provincial treasury for liquor licenses fees which are not collected in counties where the Scott Act is in force. But the principal reason put forward is that Gloucester is increasing in population and commercial importance and this being the case everything should be done to assist further development and this was the moving cause which induced the late government to grant assistance to the Gloucester Navigation Company. The refusal to continue the grant has the appearance of a lack of interest on the part of the new government in the future of Gloucester, inspired perhaps by purely political motives.

Dr. Sormany who waited upon Mr. Flemming in connection with the subsidy was informed that the government had decided not to continue it and were sustained in this course by Messrs. Stewart and Wetzell, who had been government candidates in the recent election. These gentlemen, it will be remembered, lost their deposits. The fact that they have advised the government in the course taken indicates that the refusal to grant the subsidy or to reconsider the matter is based entirely on political grounds and given a nasty complexion to the whole affair. Hitherto the commercial needs of a community have been separated from political issues in this province but it now looks as if subsidies were to be granted in return for political support, and refused when that support was either withdrawn or not given.

In his enquiry made to the government yesterday also, the question if the fact that the independent members for Gloucester voted with the opposition on the highway bill had anything to do with the refusal on the part of the government to continue the subsidy, there are several other enquiries along the same lipe involved in the question, the answers to which are awaited with considerable interest by all parties in the house.

A little mistake came near having a fatal termination at Elmsville last week. Mrs. Jas. E. Monahan had been using a tonic and also had in the house a bottle of carbolic acid which was usually kept in a place remote from all other medicines. One afternoon she had been using the acid and put it away near her bottle of tonic. That evening, she confused the bottles and took five drops of the acid in mistake for five of the tonic. As soon as the accident was discovered, home remedies were used with good results, and when Dr. J. D. Lawson had been summoned from St. Stephen he found it comparatively easy to overcome the effects of the poison.—Courier.

On Thursday evening the Young People's Society of the Charlotte St. United Baptist church, West End, entertained their friends, many of whom came from the city. The programme was carried out most charmingly by Miss E. Pauline Johnson and Mr. Walter McKaye, who had been engaged for the occasion. Before the entertainment began it was quite evident that the vestry would not accommodate the crowd, and so an adjournment was made to the auditorium above which was well filled. Needless to say everyone was delighted with the work of these accomplished entertainers, and though a nominal charge of only fifteen cents for admission had been made to cover expenses, quite a large balance to the good remained in the hands of the young people.

MAGISTRATE ROASTS A BUNCH OF DRUNKS

Calls the Prisoners All Sorts of Things

And Hands Out Stiff Sentences to the Eight Who Were Arrested Yesterday.

The police yesterday and early this morning gathered in a double male quartette of scrappers, drunks and tramps, and as the prisoners sat on the police court bench and blushed at the many uncomplimentary remarks made about them my Magistrate Ritchie, they were certainly a sorrowful looking lot. The first to stand and take a roasting was George Brown who pleaded guilty to being drunk on Water street. What he received from the magistrate was: "Brown, this is not your first time here, you continually hang around Water street, and there is a certain bar on that street where you spend most of your time, and when you come out you are not fit to be seen. You have a wife and family and it is reported to me that you don't support them, so if you won't work for your own children, you will have to work for the city. You will be fined $8 and in default of payment, two months with hard labor, the hardest they can give you."

The next in line was an Irishman named McDonald, who was found lying drunk on the Custom House wharf. In answer to the court he said he had been in this country for about three months. "Well," said his honor, "just look at your companions on the bench, look and see if you have any like those in your country. You've a nice looking crowd. A snapshot of the lot if shown in another country would be met with, 'there's a nice lot in that eastern country called the winter port of Canada.'" The Irishman was fined $4 and not having the price went to jail for ten days.

The next man to walk forward with bowed head was James Harrington, an old offender, and his medicine was:—"Well Harrington. Here again. You have the advantage of some of your chums, who have gone to eternity. You're here, and still drinking a poor unfortunate. You will be fined $8, and in default of payment two months' jail, with hard labor.

Wm. McAleer and Wm. Rising were charged with fighting together on King Square last evening. Policeman Lucas testified as to seeing the men exchanging blows. They were fined $20 each or two months in jail.

John Riley was charged with wandering about King Square about 1.30 o'clock this morning. When asked for an explanation by the court Riley said that he was sick, that he only arrived in the city yesterday afternoon from Lewiston, Me. The little lecture Riley received made him even more sick than when he first faced the magistrate. The latter said: "Well, you thought that we were wild here in St. John, and you could walk about at any hour of the night. How is it that these people get dumped in here Do you think we are going to provide for your keep in the Alms House? We can't send you back from whence you came, because you will be stopped at McAdam. Hadn't some person in authority better tell the C. P. R. that we don't want such people dumped in on this city? Now look at that crowd on the bench. Not one could get a job, at even beating carpets. No one wants a drunken man about. They are a job lot, a job lot of no-goods. Let me see—2—4—6—8—all no goods."

Here Detective Killen informed the court that Riley was on the street half drunk yesterday. "I thought so," said his honor, "you pleaded you were sick this morning. Yes, you were rum sick. You will be fined $8 or two months jail with hard labor; this will stand over you, and you can get back under the Stars and Stripes just as fast as you ucan. It's the likes of you that we don't want. Now get." Riley is a young man, and presents the appearance of a broken down tramp. It is needless to say he hastened from the court room when given the opportunity, and on leaving said: "I'll sure get right back home."

Fred Barker, a 19 years old German sailor, and an Italian named Agusta were charged with lying and lurking in a box car on the D. A. R. wharf. The German was attired in new clothing and presented a decent appearance. He was told by the magistrate that he was the best locking one in the gang. The sailors said that they could not gain admittance to their boarding house so took the box car for the night. They were remanded until the boarding master called for them.

Wm. Rowley, reported for having two wagons on Brussels street in front of his place of business, was fined $4, which was allowed to stand.

Wm. Morrisey, charged with stealing was allowed to go on suspended sentence.

The smart looking 75 ton fishing schooner Quickstep arrived in port last night in search of bait. The schooner hails from Boston, is commanded by Captain Arthur Longmire, and carries a crew of 22 men.

CANADA SHUT OUT OF OLYMPIC GAMES

Only Loafers Will be Allowed to Compete.

Men Who Have Fallen So Low as to Work for a Living Cannot Enter According to Decision.

HALIFAX, N. S., May 29. — Word was received today by President Lithgow from the Secretary of the Canadian committee at Ottawa that the English definition of amateur rules govern the Olympic trials and as they do not allow of any one but "Gentlemen," that is persons who do not work for a living taking part, Halifax is cut out completely. The announcement has caused a great deal of comment and much bitter feeling. Our local clubs had assurances that the Canadian definition would apply but the latest announcement is most disappointing. We have some remittance men here who may qualify as "gentlemen" who have never worked for a living, but they could hardly seat themselves in a boat much less row one.

New Brunswick is also cut out. There are no loafers in this province who can qualify as athletes.

ARBITRATION IN DR. PUGSLEY'S CLAIM

He Makes a Suggestion to Hon. Mr. Flemming

Offer is Accepted and A. B. Connell Chosen—Flemming Refuses to Consider One Item.

Hon. Wm. Pugsley sent to The Star from Ottawa yesterday by wire the following copy of a despatch to Hon. J. K. Flemming

"Ottawa, May 28, 1908.

"Hon. J. K. Flemming, Provincial Secretary, Fredericton:

"Being desirous of getting my account against your government closed, I make following proposition: Let a leading barrister be mutually agreed on as arbitrator, to decide what it would be equitable and just that I should be paid, in respect to my services and disbursements, re Eastern Extension claim, St. John Lumber Company suit, Lovitt case, professional services re provincial loan of three hundred thousand pounds sterling, and argument at Ottawa against allowance of location plan of Atlantic Quebec & Western Railway; he also to consider and determine claim for ordinary travelling expenses last fiscal year, also expenses inter-provincial conference, October, 1906; expenses to Washington re forestry matters, and other items contained in my account rendered. I will pay expenses of arbitrator, and am mailing you check for $500 for this purpose. This is, I think you will agree with me, a fair proposition and should be accepted by you.

"WM. PUGSLEY."

HON. MR. FLEMMING'S REPLY.

FREDERICTON, May 29—Hon. J. K. Flemming last night sent the following reply to Hon. Mr. Pugsley:—"Hon. Wm. Pugsley, Ottawa:

"Telegram received. Will not consider matter of Eastern Extension claim, you having waived any claim on account of such and having already been paid a very large sum in connection therewith. Will consent to your proposal for arbitration on all items contained in your bill of Feb. 22, 1908. Will pay half of expenses of arbitrator, and name A. B. Connell, K. C., of Woodstock, as such arbitrator, he being a leading barrister of high standing.

"J. K. FLEMMING,
"Provincial Secretary."

LUNCHEON IN HONOR OF REV. GORDON DICKIE

A luncheon was given at the Clifton House at one o'clock today by Rev. David Lang in honor of Rev. Gordon Dickie who is to be married on June 1st.

In addition to the host and the guest of honor the following Presbyterian ministers were present: Rev. A. A. Graham, Rev. L. A. McLean, Rev. C. W. Townsend, of Fairville and Rev H R Reed, of West St. John.

There were also present Chancellor Jones of the University of New Brunswick, Rev. A. B. Cohoe, President of the Evangelical Alliance, Rev. A. A. Armstrong, of Trinity church, and Dr. Lang, of the General Public Hospital.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Charles Nevins took place at 2.30 this afternoon from 16 Haymarket Square. The service was conducted by Rev. Westra Stewart and the interment was made in Fernhill cemetery.

The funeral of the late W. M. Fitzpatrick took place at 2.30 this afternoon from his late residence 67 Broad street.

THE PEOPLE OF SAMOS HAVE RISEN AGAINST THEIR PRINCE

He and Governor, With Small Garrison are Besieged—Already One Hundred and Fifty Persons Have Been Killed

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 29. —Consular despatches received here from the Island of Samos, declare that not less than 150 persons have been killed or wounded in the fighting that has been going on at Vathy, the capital of the island, for the past four days and that the engagements still continue.

According to information received here yesterday, the inhabitants of the Island of Samos, a Greek Island off the west coast of Asia Minor, are in revolt against the Prince of Samos and the Governor of the Island. The trouble arose from a conflict between the Governor and the Senate. The Prince of Samos was seized and beaten, but made his escape to the palace which since has been besieged. The small garrison of Turkish troops on the island are beleagured in their garrison. The Governor also has sought refuge in one of the public buildings. He is without provisions and his life is said to be in danger. The Consulates are crowded with refugees and the lack of provisions is beginning to make itself felt. A number of refugees have managed to make their way to Athens. The consuls at Samos are mostly native merchants and they have requested the powers to send warships. The Turkish Government is arranging to send large reinforcements of troops from the naval division to overawe the rebellious islanders. The insurgents have the support of the local gendarmerie. The presence of Turkish troops is accounted for by the fact that while Samos is an autonomous principality it pays an annual tribute to Turkey. The Prince of Samos is nominated by the Sultan and is a Greek. The population of 50,000 is composed mostly of Greeks.

MR. EMMERSON WILL AGAIN CONTEST WESTMORLAND

Tells Committee That He Will Accept Nomination — Promise of a Big Majority.

MONCTON, May 29—Hon. H. R. Emmerson, M. P., will be Westmorland's choice as the Liberal candidate to contest this county in the Dominion general elections, at the convention of county Liberals to be held in Moncton on Monday afternoon.

This was definitely settled last evening when Hon. Mr. Emmerson notified the committee that the would accept the nomination.

The Transcript tonight says editorially:

"So far as the Liberal party of the County of Westmorland is concerned there is apparent unanimity as to the name to be presented to the convention. There is no sufficient reason why the constituency should change its representative any more than the Liberal party should change its nominee. Hon. Mr. Emmerson has not merely served the Liberal party well, but has championed the interests of his constituency in every respect wherein the serving of those interests was consistent with the general well being of the Dominion. When Mr. Emmerson's achievements in promoting public undertakings of a useful and convenient character such as at Sackville, Memramcook, Shediac, Aulac, Moncton and elsewhere, are contrasted with many years of negative representation by Josiah Wood and H. A. Powell, the county may well rally enthusiastically to his support. Should Mr. Emmerson be opposed at the general election, great as was the majority given for the four Liberal candidates a few weeks since, Mr. Emmerson's majority in the city of Moncton and county outside will be still greater."

ROBBERY IN SYDNEY.

SYDNEY, N. S., May 29—The funeral of the late Mrs. Philip Ein, who was instantly killed at Glace Bay last night, took place at 11 o'clock this morning. The inquest will be held tonight.

The licensed saloon of A. Lapierre was entered at an early hour this morning, and goods to value of $150 taken. There is no clue to the identity of the thieves. The police were notified of the facts and are working on the case.

The Marathons and Clippers will meet tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock on the Victoria grounds in the second game of the St. John Baseball League. The Marathons will appear in their new uniforms which have arrived since their last game.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND DR. PUGSLEY'S LETTER

One Mr. Smith Has a Thirst for Knowledge

He and Others Show a Tendency to go Through the Refuse Heaps in Search of Old Envelopes.

FREDERICTON, N. B., May 29. — The public accounts committee of the legislature held an interesting session this morning, Dr. Pugsley's transactions with the province being the matter chiefly under discussion. Mr. Smith a member of the committee who was not present yesterday afternoon, said he wished today to more thoroughly look into the matter. He said that he had seen it stated in this morning's papers that the ex-Attorney General forwarded a letter dated the 27th of February last to the province which contained two checks amounting to over $4,000, and the letter did not reach the department until the 9th of March. He thought the circumstance most peculiar, the election was held on the 3rd of March and the facts to his mind justified the conclusion that the letter and checks had been antedated. Mr. Labillois did not think that Mr. Smith had any right to say this as he, Labillois, had found in his long experience that many letters were delayed in the post office.

Mr. Smith said if the envelope could be obtained the postmark would show when it was posted at Ottawa.

The auditor general and receiver general were examined, but neither of them had any knowledge of the envelope. It was not the custom to keep envelopes, but throw them away and file what they contained.

Mr. Babbitt said he had not noticed the Ottawa mark, as it was not his custom to do so. All he could say was that he remembered that the letter bore the date of 27th of February, and it was received 9th of March, as he deposited the checks as soon as he received them, and that was the date they were put in the bank.

Hon. Mr. Flemming was called and stated that the envelope had never come into his possession. When he assumed office the two letters of Dr. Pugsley were handed to him in one large envelope. The first letter dated February 22, contained the statement of an account against the province for $3670, and the other letter February 27th, referred to the two enclosed checks. In the latter letter the writer said he enclosed the checks to cover his overdraft, as the government being then busy would not probably have time to pass upon his account.

Mr. Flemming was examined at length by the committee. He said that the statement made that the ex-Attorney General's drafts covered claims he had against the Province was most absurd. In 1905 when the overdraft reached $7000 there was then no claim as is shown by the book and the claim that is make for services in his letter of February 22nd are entirely for services in the past year or so. The argument put up that interest should be charged on the claims as well as the overdrafts was ridiculous as there was no claim at the present time recognized, while the overdrafts exist. Questioned further by Mr. Smith the provincial secretary said that these overdrafts never saw the light of the day as they were carried under the suspense account and this account was never made public.

The committee also took up the expenditure of the Central Railway and these were discussd at length. Members of the committee expressed the opinion that the commissioners should have given to the department a detailed account of how the money was expanded. Chairman Pinder criticized strongly the payment of $1083.00 to Mr. Skinner as acting judge of probates for St. John during the late Judge Trueman's absence while the latter had received the full salaray, as the understanding had been that the leave of absense should be no additional expense. Other items were taken up and the meeting adjourned at 1 o'clock.

Forest fires were much in evidence during the early part of the week. Back of Norton there was quite a blaze. Near Colonel Campbell's home, fire started on ground formerly burned over and worked its way in towards the good timber. It looked serious for a time, but prompt measures were taken to stamp out the fire. Town Marshall McLeod assisted in fighting the flames. The damage done was not serious.—Sussex Record.

While at work housecleaning in her home, Bridge street, Moncton, yesterday, Mrs. Henry Crossman found the skeleton of an infant in the attic. The child had been dead about two months. Coroner C. T. Purdy decided that the infant had been prematurely born and gave permission to have it properly buried. The Crossman family have only been living in the house a short time and the previous occupant was Mrs. Peter Bury, who complained of being destitute and who moved to St. John.

LATEST WEATHER REPORT

FINE and WARMER