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A GREAT CONGRESS

The spirit which animated the conference of members of the St. John and Fredericton boards of trade in this city yesterday is the spirit which will build up New Brunswick. It was well expressed by President Jennings of the Fredericton board when he said that the different localities must set aside all sectional feeling, work together to develop the province and each take its share of the fruits of that development without jealousy or discontent.

In that spirit the conference yesterday decided to call a great provincial congress at Fredericton, while the legislature is in session, and to invite representatives of boards of trade, towns and municipal councils, farmers' associations, transportation companies and the editors of the newspapers in the province. The movement is entirely non-political, and as heartily supported by men of one party as of another. It is recognized that this is the time for united action, and the purpose of those taking the lead in the movement is to get something definite in the line of public policy respecting immigration, and present it in such a manner that the legislature will realize that the whole province is behind the request, justifying them in taking up the proposals in the most generous non-partisan spirit.

It may be hoped that there will be a very general and hearty response to the invitations sent out by the joint committee, and that the most notable congress ever held in the province will be that which will assemble on this occasion. While the joint committee will present a skeleton programme, indicating the course of discussion, there is no set and dried plan. The congress will have a free hand, although any gentleman who might take advantage of the opportunity to air indifferent views at great length would probably discover a painful lack of sympathy in his audience.

This is to be a memorable business congress, with very important business to transact. It will have a great influence upon public sentiment and public policy, and should have such practical results as will bring a steadily increasing flow of desirable settlers and of capital into this province.

The boards of trade of other cities and towns will heartily co-operate with those of St. John and Fredericton, and the various municipalities should also be well represented at what will be a memorable meeting in the province's capital. It is anticipated that as the Canadian Pacific has large interests in the province, and is increasing them, and is about to establish a model farm, the company will heartily co-operate in promoting the aims of the congress.

FEDERAL ASSISTANCE  
Some two years ago, Mr. T. H. Estabrook, then president of the St. John Board of Trade, made a forcible brief address on the unfair competition the eastern provinces had to meet because the policy of all federal governments had been to boom the west, and in this they had the sympathy and aid of the great transportation companies. Mr. Estabrook contended that the time had now come when the east, which had so cheerfully contributed to the upbuilding of the west, should receive a larger share of attention in regard to the appeal for immigrants.

The views so clearly expressed by Mr. Estabrook and others at that time gave an impetus to a movement which has steadily gained force. It was not a political movement. Mr. Estabrook spoke as a supporter of the government then in power, and had it remained in power the claims of the east were assured of recognition. The time for action had come.

A new government is in power at Ottawa, and a new premier at Fredericton. The announcement is now made that Mr. Rogers and Premier Fleming have arranged the terms on which the federal government will assist this province in securing immigrants. The terms are not stated, but will be made known, no doubt, as soon as Mr. Fleming has laid them before his colleagues, at the next meeting of the cabinet. If the aid proffered is not sufficiently large, all parties in the province will solidly back the demand for more. This is not a matter of party politics, but a forward movement which is greater than the designs of any party.

MR. FLEMING'S TROUBLES  
While Premier Fleming was telling the people of Newcastle last evening that he wanted provincial politics kept independent of federal issues, Mr. John E. Wilson was telling the Conservative Club of St. John that when the elections come round again the Liberals will vote for Conservative candidates. Also Mr. Doherty was explaining that the Conservative party was the only one which could handle a crisis, and Mr. Baxter was sounding the praises of Mr. Hazen, and grieving over Hon. Dr. Papeley's unfulfilled promises.

Of course Mr. Fleming can appeal with a good grace for Liberal support. The fine spirit of fairness with which he and Mr. Hazen have appointed Liberals to office and shared the patronage with Liberals must have appealed to all members of the latter party. The Liberals must also remember how neutral the Hazen and Fleming governments were during federal campaigns. The spectacle is most impressive. How could any people resist so fervent and well-grounded an appeal as that of Mr. Fleming? He makes it in Northumberland county, where trouble has

been brewing for some time, and whether he was summoned to do what he could to encourage somebody to be willing to run as a government candidate.

"Will you walk into my parlor said the spider to the fly."

Newcastle board of trade will have a commercial orchard. That makes five. Next!

Recorder Baxter assured the Conservative Club last evening that they could bank on the development of Courtenay Bay.

Hon. Mr. Morrissey is credited by the Standard with saying that Mr. Hazen will eventually become premier of Canada. Has Mr. Morrissey lost faith in the Liberal party, or only in Mr. Borden?

The house of commons has adopted a resolution to the effect that the government should speedily inaugurate a better immigration and development policy with respect to the maritime provinces. This is another step in advance.

A Conservative caucus is to be held at Ottawa tomorrow to discuss the government programme for the session. This is the first intimation that there was any real programme, except head hunting and appointing commissions and keeping Mr. Bourassa quiet.

Hon. Robert Maxwell said last night that the policy of the government was not so much to bring immigration as to keep our own young men on the farms. In this a hint that the roads are to be improved, or a warning to the immigration congress?

The St. John business men who proved last year that there was money in potato culture, and who will demonstrate that there is money in commercial orchards, will also endeavor to prove that there is profit in sheep-raising in New Brunswick. Good luck to them. They are doing spade work for the good of the whole province.

Premier Fleming said some time ago that \$20,000,000 would be spent in development work in New Brunswick in five years. He now places the figure at \$25,000,000. If the developments at St. John are carried out in full, the Times believes Mr. Fleming is still below the mark. This is the growing time for New Brunswick, and it will not be confined to St. John and the St. John valley.

The news comes from England that Sir Max Aitken has been chosen as the tariff expert of the Unionist party, because of his experience in tariff matters in Canada. No doubt Sir Max knows the duty on cement, and he may have a copy of the Canadian tariff concealed about his person. It may also be that there is no problem in the United Kingdom or the Empire which he cannot solve off-hand; but it may also be that Sir Max is becoming a bit of a joke.

The death of Baron Stammers recalls the stirring times just before confederation. As Arthur Hamilton Gordon he was governor of New Brunswick from 1861 until 1868, the year before the union of the provinces. He was born in 1829, and was the fourth son of the fourth Earl of Aberdeen. Educated at Oxford, he became private secretary to the British prime minister in 1852, and from 1854 till 1857 was a member of parliament. In 1858-59 he was secretary to a special mission to Cuba, and in 1861 came to New Brunswick. He was governor of Trinidad from 1866 till 1870, Mauritius, 1871-74; Fiji, 1875-80; New Zealand, 1880-82; high commissioner and colonial-general in the Southern Pacific, 1883-85; governor of Ceylon, 1888-90. Among his writings were Wilderness Journeys in New Brunswick, 1864; Story of a Little War, 1879, and a Life of Lord Aberdeen, 1881. He was created Baron Stammers in 1883.

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THEY GIFT TO ME  
(By Margaret Roy Radcliffe)

These be the gifts of bygone years;  
The hand of love to wipe the tears  
Of grief that children know;  
A boon of simple tender care,  
And thought that follows everywhere,  
Wherever I should go.

A gladness in the shining sun,  
A peace at night from darkness won.  
So silent and so deep!  
A sound that throbs in summer glow;  
And thrill with whiteness of the snow  
Where nature lies in sleep.

Rich gifts of hope that reached higher  
Than e'er my vision could aspire  
To great or mighty deed,  
Sweet patience when the hope is flown,  
When older, wiser I have grown,  
And own a deeper need.

Dark gifts of sorrow and of pain;  
Low, silent sighs, and common pain,  
That shut the soul within  
The temple Christ's own love hath built,  
The fountain where His cleansing my guilt,  
And washed me white from sin.

Now, at Thy shrine, on bended knee,  
I thank Thee, Lord, for gifts to me  
Through Christ's atoning world  
And now myself I bring to Thee  
That faith in I may ever be  
My Sovereign friend and Lord.

IN LIGHTER VEIL  
THE FLAW  
She's beautiful, of that there is no doubt;  
She's honest as the tints upon her face,  
And she's just the sort of girl you'd rave about,  
She's picturesque, and has a charming grace.

But there is something wrong in her formation,  
Though beauty holds her away without restraint;  
She'd be perfect over all imagination  
If she would only give up saying "ah!"  
—Touche Hancock.

HE KNEW HIM  
"Just a minute, old chap! You're just the man I want to see." "No, I'm not. I can't spare a cent."—Washington Herald.

WHY?  
"You look very tired, young man; are you overworked?" "I'm studying for a minister, sir." "Well, why in the world don't you let him study for himself?"—Yonkers Statesman.

JUST HOW HOW IT WAS  
He—"So young March and his father are carrying on the business?"  
She—"Yes. The old man runs the business, while young March does the carrying on."—New York Globe.

VERY CLEVER  
"Would you call Higgins a clever man?"  
"Certainly," replied Miss Cayenne.  
"I don't believe it, but he is wonderfully clever in concealing the fact from strangers."—

TOO MUCH MONEY  
Louisville Courier Journal: "Did you ever try counting sheep for your insomnia?"  
"Yes, doctor, but I made a mess of it. I counted 10,000 sheep, put 'em on the cars, and shipped 'em to market. The wad of money I got for 'em made me afraid to go to sleep."

A CONVINCING NOTICE  
The proprietors of a St. John newspaper have distributed handbills containing the following notice:  
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Job had the measles, boils, mumps;  
For hard-luck tales he was a freight,  
But he never had, like modern chumps,  
A coal fire that went out at night.

Job had to fight his way through life,  
His hat tales would fill a book,  
But still 'twas imitation strife,  
He never had to fire the cook.

Job thought that gossip was his curse,  
He was the most maligned of men,  
But still it might have been lots worse,  
There were no sewing circles then.

From place to place Job had to roam,  
At will and mercy of the fates,  
But when he had to move him home  
He struck no transfer combine rates.

Job's turkey was a scrawny pet,  
And on Thanksgiving day he found  
It was a little tough—and yet  
It cost no thirty cents a pound.

Job's troubles sought him everywhere,  
They came to him from near and far,  
But still he had no need, back there,  
To dodge the sporting motor car.

Job's woes camped right upon his trail,  
His lot was hard as any man's,  
And yet he never went to jail  
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It's only a "tenderfoot" farmer that would try such an experiment with a cow. But many a farmer feeds his cow regardless of digestion and nutrition. He might almost as well eat shavings for all the good he gets out of his food. The result is that the stomach grows "weak" the action of the organs of digestion and nutrition are impaired and the man suffers the miseries of dyspepsia and the agonies of nervousness.

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