

# REORGANIZATION OF THE AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT

# WESTMORLAND FOREST FIRES UNDER CONTROL

# CREED AGITATION AGAINST QUEBEC CONSERVATIVES

Office of Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture abolished and a Secretary of the Department appointed—Mr. W. W. Hubbard chosen for this important position—His appointment highly popular among the farmers of the Province—Government's activity in agricultural affairs, it is believed will cause stagnation of the past to disappear—Work of reorganization in line with recommendations of Agricultural Commission.

It is understood that for the more efficient management of the Agricultural Department of this province it has been decided to abolish the office of Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture and to appoint a Secretary of the Agricultural Department, and that an Order-in-Council has been passed carrying out this change and appointing Mr. W. W. Hubbard to the new position. The change, it is understood will take place on July 1st next. This reorganization of the Department is being made on the recommendation of Dr. Landry, Commissioner of Agriculture, after a careful study of all the conditions surrounding the work of the Department.



W. W. HUBBARD, Secretary of the Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Peters' services will terminate on July 1st, but on his retirement from office he will be paid two months' salary in lieu of notice.

Reorganization. While there has been an urgent call for some years and more especially during the past twelve months for a broadening and extension of the departments, the Commissioner of Agriculture and the Government have perhaps acted wisely in making haste somewhat slowly.

Instead of making changes upon the spur of the moment on taking office the Government appointed a Commission to inquire into the subject and secured two practical farmers who were also deep students of agriculture, to act upon the commission with the Commissioner of Agriculture.

Report of the Commission. After some eight or nine months spent in investigation this Commission presented a report, which was favorably commented upon by the Legislature and by the country and made suggestions which were endorsed after discussion by the Agricultural Committee.

Now that this report and the suggestions are almost ready for general presentation to the public in book form, it is felt that with the information in the possession of the Department the time has come for reorganization and an effort to carry out as many as possible of the suggestions made by the Commission and endorsed by the Committee on Agriculture.

The Secretary of Agriculture. With this end in view the man who did such painstaking work as Secretary of the Commission will be made Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, to assist the Commissioner in carrying out the plans proposed and such assistance as may be from time to time required in the various lines of educational and organization work will be called in.

Agricultural Societies. The encouragement of new and already existing agricultural societies in taking up more active educational and co-operation work will be continued and extended. An investigation into the whole question of commercial fertilizers will be started and every possible effort made to complete arrangements whereby before next season our farmers may be able to buy their fertilizers to their advantage.

Fruit Growing. The encouragement of apple and other fruit growing will be engaged in and it is proposed that during mid-summer a number of orchard meetings will be held where experts will be in attendance to give practical illustration of how to best care for fruit trees and protect them from insects and disease.

Live-Stock and Dairying. The dissemination of pure bred stock both provincial bred and imported, in those districts where it is most needed will engage the attention of the Department. The work of the dairy superintendents will be directed to the encouragement of milk production by assisting in the introduction of economical and sanitary methods where such work meets with the desires of the people and every effort will be made to assist in placing the co-operative dairy business in a position to best meet the needs and give most economical service to both producer and consumer.

tion farms for different sections of the province successfully carried out and it is hoped that before long the announcement can be made that these farms will be selected and managed by a committee of experts from Macdonald College thus removing them entirely from the question of party politics.

The question of the extension of markets will be considered and such assistance as can be given to Dominion officials or otherwise for the placing of choice New Brunswick products on available foreign markets will be extended as opportunity offers.

The Immigration Branch. This branch of the Department will continue its work of gathering all available information in regard to the labor needs of the farmers and also as to farms for sale. This information will be placed among intending immigrants and it is hoped by next season that New Brunswick will get at least its share of desirable immigrants coming to Canada.

More to Come. The detailed plans of the Department have not yet been announced, but will be taken to move wisely in this direction and to try to make this Department of the greatest possible service to the farmers of the province. Every effort will be made to work in harmony with the Dominion Department and other forces now operating for the upbuilding of agriculture, and if the farmers generally will lend their co-operation there can be no doubt of the beneficial results to be obtained.

A POPULAR APPOINTMENT. Mr. Hubbard's Qualifications Well Fit Him For the Important Position to Which He has Been Appointed.

The appointment of Mr. W. W. Hubbard to the important office of Secretary of Agriculture will meet with general approval.

To no class will the news be more welcome than the farmers of this Province who have for many years recognized in him a forceful and capable adviser.

His Training. The earlier years of Mr. Hubbard's life were spent on the farm at Burton Hill, Sunbury County, where, by steady industry and intelligent effort he laid the foundation for a successful course at the Guelph Agricultural College.

As Organizer. He took an active interest in the work of the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association and held the position of corresponding secretary some fourteen years. At no time in the history of this Association were the annual meetings better attended.

In 1891 when interest was first being manifested in co-operative dairying, Mr. Hubbard went over to Maine to study the creamery business then being successfully inaugurated there and in that year associated with the joint supervision of Prof. Robertson, the then Local Government to organize local dairy associations in

the St. John River and North Shore sections of the Province. For several years until the work was taken over by the Provincial Government, Mr. Hubbard was engaged with Prof. Robertson as Superintendent of Experimental Dairy Stations, Secretary of the Sussex Dairy School and associated with Mr. S. L. Peters, of Queens-town, conducted the Dominion Traveling Dairy Instruction in the Province.

Administration as Editor. In 1895 he was employed by a company at Windsor, N. S., to construct, equip and manage a creamery at that town, and in the Fall of that year at the earnest solicitation of prominent members of the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association returned to New Brunswick to start in partnership with R. D. Robinson, of Sussex, that now well known farm journal, the Maritime Farmer. He continued as editor of this paper until 1901 and during that period leased and conducted a dairy farm at Sussex, and assisted in establishing the present Sussex Cheese and Butter Company, since developed into one of the largest individual butter plants in Canada. He was also the first secretary of the Sussex Board of Trade and as editor of the Farmer, became a member of the Farmers' and Dairymen's and Fruit Growers' Associations of Nova Scotia and P. E. Island, and attended their various meetings.

Mr. Hubbard's services as a farmer's advocate speaker have been employed in all three Maritime Provinces and the state of Maine, and for some years as judge of sheep and swine at the Maine State Fair.

With The C. P. R. In 1903, Mr. Hubbard was selected by the Canadian Pacific Railway as their agricultural agent and during the two years of this appointment he helped in bringing into the Province upwards of two hundred head of pure bred Shorthorn cattle and Clyde horses. He also was engaged in investigating the possibility of growing the timber in the prairie provinces and some of his suggestions in that regard have lately been adopted by that great corporation.

Mr. Hubbard assisted in the forming of the Maritime Stock Breeders' Association and the Institution of the Maritime Winter Fair at Amherst, acting as Secretary of the Association for the first six years of its existence.

St. John Exhibition. Those who were associated with him as assistant manager and later as managing director of the St. John Exhibition, will bear testimony to his executive ability and tireless energy in making the big shows a success.

New Brunswick's large shipments to Ontario are due in a large measure to Mr. Hubbard's efforts while agricultural agent of the Canadian Pacific.

Secretary of the Commission. The importance of his work as secretary of the Agricultural Commission cannot at present be estimated, but the popular approval of the findings of the commission speak well of the work thus far done in this connection.

The new secretary for agriculture is a man who will "do things" and the province is to be congratulated that the Government has named a man whose appointment is a guarantee of efficiency and results.

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Mr. O'Leary says the fires in Northumberland County are practically out. Three boys named Fred Bell, Roscoe French and Harry Rhodes, have been arrested and confessed to stealing the collection from the West End Baptist Church on Sunday night. Their case will be heard before Magistrate Kay in the morning.

Rev. Father Gauthier, of P. E. Island, and Hon. D. V. Landry, Minister of Agriculture, of Bouchette, left this evening to attend the convention of L'Assomption Society, which meets in Montreal.

The death occurred this evening of J. Rebecca Church, formerly of Point De Bute. She has resided in Moncton for the past few years with her sister, the late Mrs. W. E. Weldon, Mrs. B. C. Genser, of this city, is a niece of the deceased.

Two fishermen of Richibucto, named David Long and Daniel O'Leary, went out fishing last Friday and have not returned and as no word of any kind has been received it is feared they have been drowned.

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Its Reappearance in that Province Greatly Regretted by Best Thinking People—La Presse, Whose Policy is Controlled by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Making Strong Appeal in His Behalf Revives Race and Creed Cry—The Utter Inconsistency of it all—A Bad Beginning Made in Campaign of Mr. Mackenzie King, who is Seeking Election in North Waterloo—The Vote Largely Cut Down by Reducing the Registration.

Ottawa, June 18.—One recent political development is the reappearance of a race and creed agitation against the Conservative party in Quebec. The best way to discuss a method of political warfare which is much in use in that province is to quote it. The following are extracts from an article in La Presse of Montreal, in its issue of June 18th:

An Imperialist Conspiracy. "We have periodically the manifestations of a retrograde Tory spirit in Canada. Two weeks ago Dr. Sproule, Grand Master of the Orangemen, complained of the British Parliament because it was willing to suppress in the Coronation oath those expressions in favor of the Catholics. Sir James Whitney has begun a campaign to destroy, if possible, the Federal Cabinet, by preaching that we should spend millions for the purpose of building the Imperial forces. Col. Denison and his comrade, Col. Hughes, are always prepared to drive the country into an unreasoning imperialism. The Mail and Empire and the News are the standards of these Don Quixotic enemies of a good understanding of the Dominion.

Mr. Borden Accused. "Mr. Borden is in the hands of these secretaries whose influence is felt in the whole of the Dominion. They were seen at work in 1905 when they attempted to raise prejudice against Mr. Laurier because he had committed the heinous fault, in their eyes, of wishing to preserve the constitution of the Dominion. Sir John Macdonald, who was a statesman, held in check this bad element in his party. He was very far from according to the degree of influence which Mr. Borden had imprudently acquired. Sir John was an energetic

and clear seeing chieftain. Mr. Foster could not impose his will upon him. D'Alton McCarthy fell in disgrace, having compromised himself in declarations injurious to the province of Quebec."

To Divert Attention. As the Toronto News remarks of the foregoing: "It is determined that in one-third of the constituencies of Canada, public questions shall not be considered. Attention is turned from public waste, public jobbery, feeble administration and betrayal of principles to the phantoms of race and creed which the apologists of the Government create for their own purposes."

The reader may be left to form his own opinion as to the political benefits of such a campaign. All that is necessary is to note one or two matters of fact which it is well to bear in memory.

The Essential Facts. 1. Sir Wilfrid Laurier is in absolute control of the policy of La Presse, and the foregoing may be considered his own personal appeal to the electors of his own province.

2. Sir James Whitney was the first Premier of Ontario to call a French Canadian to his cabinet.

3. Col. Denison's party affiliations have been Liberal, and he recently was appointed by the present Government one of the Quebec Battlefields Commission.

4. D'Alton McCarthy was in alliance with Sir Wilfrid Laurier prior to and after the election of 1896. At the time of his death, which was the result of an accident, he was on the point of entering Sir Wilfrid Laurier's cabinet.

5. In the election of 1896 the Orange Order in Ontario threw the whole weight of its influence on the side of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and helped him to gain power. This assertion has been challenged, but a reference to the records shows that at the time

of the dissolution in 1896 the Conservatives had a majority of twenty in Ontario and the first division after this election gave the Laurier Government a majority of five from that province.

A Bad Beginning. The by-election in North Waterloo, where Mr. Mackenzie King is seeking the sanction of the electorate for his acceptance of office, has been marked by some rather curious performances in the matter of registration. The Conservative stronghold in the riding of Berlin, which by a special provision of the Ontario election law is granted a privilege of holding registration prior to an election. The local Conservatives complain that they were kept in ignorance of the date of the by-election until the last possible moment, and that the proceedings of the registration board were conducted with such studious modesty as greatly to reduce the vote in the Conservative stronghold. Mr. King's reply was in the nature of throwing the responsibility upon the board, and did not clearly dissociate his party machinery from what is described as a piece of rather sharp politics. The incident is not of national importance, and party organizations seldom fail to avail themselves of any advantages that may offer. Mr. King, however, must expect to be watched closely and to be judged by a somewhat strict standard than that applied to the ordinary common or garden working politician. His stock in trade in public life is his abundant supply of excellent ideas, and a public man whose in unusual need of a scrupulous observance of fair play in the uninteresting but necessary work of securing a constituency. An idealist anyway is in curious company in the Laurier cabinet with its plentiful stock of Pugsleys and Brodeurs, and the public will be curious to see how the idealist gets on in practical politics.

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Yesterday's electrical storm, though its severer portion was not of long duration, did considerable damage about the city and its vicinity.

Two Street Cars Struck. In town, the street railway came in for a large share of the damage done, two of the company's cars being struck. One of the cars, Sir Mill street, near the railway depot, when the bolt fell, and its disabling was demoralizing to the service, suspending it for half an hour.

The lightning struck the car, which bore the ill-owned number 23, almost in the centre of the floor, and passed through to the motors beneath, turning both of them completely upside down. A great gap was cut in the floor of the car.

There were a half dozen passengers on board the car at the time. One man felt the results of the shock in the nuching of his foot, and a woman who sat near to him also received a slight shock.

Another car was struck while at the foot of Indiantown, and was towed to the shed with its fuse blown out.

Passed Down Hotel Chimney. A peculiar freak of the storm was played at the Grand Union hotel, where the fluid passed down the chimney, carrying away part of the brick work at both top and bottom.

The blow landed in the hotel barber shop, playing on a pair of scissors held by Mr. Edgar Maguire, one of the barbers, and about the head of a customer, whose hair he was cutting. Mr. Maguire's hand remained numb for some minutes. A cloud of soot and ashes was blown into the shop as the lightning entered.

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Special to The Standard. Woodstock, June 21.—The president of the Methodist conference, Rev. A. D. McCully, has received a protest from Zion church, St. John, against the removal of Rev. James Crisp. The final draft of the station sheet had been ratified by the conference before the receipt of the protest. Rev. Mr. Crisp is willing to go to Springfield, and Rev. T. J. Deistad is satisfied to go to Zion church. The protest did not come before the conference and the appointments must stand as at present.