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Premier Mathieson Honored.

Hon. John A. Mathieson, Premier and Attorney-General of this Province, was tendered a grand banquet, by his colleagues in the Legislature and other friends, at the Hotel Victoria in this city on Thursday evening last. Over sixty gentlemen sat down to the banquet, which was first class in every respect. Those present included all the members of the Provincial Executive, Hon. Speaker Wyatt, and most of the Conservative members of the Legislature. In addition, there were in attendance a number of friends and admirers of the Premier from the city and from the country. These included his Worship Mayor Lyons, Mr. Archibald J. McDonald, the veteran legislator, who for so many years had represented Georgetown in the Provincial Assembly, Senator Murphy, Rev. Dr. Gauthier and others.

Major A. A. Bartlett presided and the croqueters were Hon. John McLean, Hon. A. E. Arsenault, and Mr. S. T. Gallant. After ample justice had been done to the excellent viands the intellectual part of the feast was entered upon.

After the toast to 'The King' had been duly honored by the singing of the National Anthem, Mr. Archibald J. McDonald proposed the toast of Hon. Premier Mathieson. He eulogized the Premier for his great ability as a legislator and for what he had already done for the benefit of Prince Edward Island.

Hon. Mr. Mathieson, rising to respond, was received with hearty applause. In his eloquent response he paid a warm tribute to Mr. McDonald who had so kindly proposed the toast. Mr. McDonald had been his colleague in the Legislature for a number of years; he had also been among his earliest and safest political advisers. The Premier then, at considerable length, reviewed the efforts of himself and Conservative associates while in Opposition in the Legislature. Now, since we had come into our own, here and at Ottawa, much had been done to advance our Province on the road to prosperity. He considered that what was done was but the beginning of greater things later. The present condition of our Province was prosperous and the future was bright. He concluded amid applause.

The Parliament of Canada was proposed by Hon. Charles Dalton and eloquently responded to by Hon. John McLean, Hon. W. S. Stewart and Senator Murphy. In the course of these speeches, the great statesmen who have led and adorned the Parliament of Canada were eulogized. Among these great men, Premier Borden and his cabinet had no superiors. That was the opinion frankly expressed by the gentlemen responding to the toast.

Hon. Mr. A. E. Arsenault at this point proposed the following telegram should be despatched to Premier Borden:

Resolved: That we, representative Conservatives of Prince Edward Island, assembled to do honor to Premier Mathieson at a banquet tendered him here tonight on closing of the Provincial Legislature, desire to convey our thanks for the many favors received from your Government, especially the car ferry

and the additional grant to our subsidy, enabling us for the first time in our history since Confederation to complete our financial year without further additions to the public debt of the Province. Further Resolved: That we express our unqualified approval of your policy on the naval question.

(Signed) A. A. BARTLETT,
Chairman.

Hon. Charles Dalton seconded the resolution and it was carried by a standing vote.

The Provincial Legislature was proposed by his Worship Mayor Lyons in an eloquent speech, in which he paid the highest possible tribute to Sir Charles Tupper as a great Canadian statesman and patriot, who had taken such an important part in laying broad and deep the foundations of Confederation and of Canada's future greatness. The toast was admirably responded to by Hon. Mr. McKinnon, Mr. Myers and Mr. S. T. Gallant. All of these gentlemen eulogized Premier Mathieson for what he has done and is doing, and all of them expressed their optimism in the future of our Province.

Prince Edward Island and its future was proposed by Chairman Bartlett and eloquently responded to by Mr. J. E. B. McCreedy and Rev. Dr. Gauthier.

The Press was proposed by Chairman Bartlett and suitably responded to by Mr. W. L. Cotton, Mr. J. B. Burnett and Mr. James McIsaac.

The following volunteer toasts were then proposed and duly honored: Sir Charles Tupper proposed by the Chairman; Hon. A. J. McDonald, proposed by Senator Murphy; The Host of the Victoria Hotel, proposed by Hon. W. S. Stewart and responded to by R. H. Sterns. All these toasts went through with the greatest enthusiasm. In this connection it was decided to send the following telegram to Sir Chas. Tupper:

SIR CHARLES TUPPER,
Halifax, or Amherst.

It affords me extreme pleasure to inform you that at the Banquet held at the close of the Provincial Legislature in honor of Premier Mathieson, your health was very heartily drunk and the earnest hope was expressed that your valued life might be spared for many years.

(Sgd) A. A. BARTLETT,
Chairman of Banquet.

The proceedings closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

Friday night, the following reply to the resolution sent to Premier Borden was received:

MAJOR BARTLETT,
Prince Edward Island.

My colleagues and I appreciate very warmly and sincerely the message just received from you on behalf of the Conservatives of Prince Edward Island. Pray convey to them our warm thanks as well as our congratulations upon the splendid progressive administration of public affairs which has been afforded by Mr. Mathieson and his colleagues.

R. L. BORDEN.

The Car Ferry.

It is officially announced from Ottawa that the contracts for the Car Ferry Terminals, at Carleton Point on the Island side and Cape Tormentine on the New Brunswick side, have been let. The Halifax Dredging Company are the successful tenderers for the Carleton Point contract, and the price is \$800,000. The Cape Tormentine contract goes to Albert McKie & Co. of Toronto for \$572,000. These two items together amount to \$1,372,000. Add to this the \$600,000 for the Ferry Steamer contracted for some

time ago, and we have an expenditure of nearly \$2,000,000 for the improvement of transportation in Prince Edward Island. In addition there will be the expenditure for standardizing the P. E. I. Railway. That is what the Borden Government is doing for our Province.

Provincial Legislature.

House met on Tuesday, 22nd, at 3.30. Hon. Mr. Arsenault presented a petition, on which found a bill, to incorporate the Prince Black Fox Company. Mr. John Richards presented a petition from Charles R. Smallwood, surviving trustee of the Lady Wood estate, in opposition to any legislation confirming the title to certain purchasers of land on Township No. 67. Hon. Mr. Arsenault introduced a resolution on which found a bill to amend the Public Schools Act, 1877, and amendments thereto, providing for higher payment to teachers and more efficient administration of the school law. Bill received and read a first time. Hon. Mr. Mathieson introduced a resolution on which was founded a bill to incorporate "The Charles Dalton Sanatorium," and to make provision for the management of the same. The bill was read a first time and ordered to a second reading. The Premier also introduced a bill to provide for the removal of prisoners for surgical treatment in certain cases. The following bills were read a third time and passed: to incorporate the Beach Point Silver Black Fox Company; to incorporate the Souris Electric Company; to incorporate the North River Blue Fox Company; to amend the Prince Edward Island Joint Stock Company; amending the Common Law Procedure Act; Freetown Fox Ranching Company; Centreville Blue Fox Company; to enable Gertrude M. Hodgson to sell land in Charlottetown Common; Respecting Certain Public Servants; Roger Farquharson Blue Fox Company; Belmont Telephone Company; The North American Silver Black Fox Company was read a second time, passed through committee, reported and ordered to a third reading. The Automobile Act was then read a second time and referred to committee.

Mr. John A. Dewar expressed his opposition to the bill, and moved that it be read a third time in three months. Premier Mathieson vigorously combated the idea of attempting to prevent the passing of the bill. It was not the intention of the Government, he said, to force this bill on the people. After the bill was passed and the people had an opportunity of studying it, the Government would be in a better position to judge. Mr. Feehan said he had received a number of resolutions from different parts of his constituency, in opposition to the measure. He considered it binding to present and back up these desires of his constituents. He presented these petitions, as he considered that to be his duty. Having discharged this duty he was content. The Premier pointed out that the Government had the power to so regulate the operations of autos, that sections strongly opposed could be eliminated from the area in which motors would be allowed to run. He was satisfied that, under present regulations, little objection could be made to the passage of this act. Mr. Buntain also presented petitions from constituents in his district, in opposition to the running of autos. Hon. John McLean spoke in favor of the passage of the bill. Mr. J. A. Dewar again expressed his disappro-

bation of it. Hon. Mr. Arsenault expressed himself in its favor. Mr. Richards moderately expressed his opposition to the bill. It being six o'clock the Speaker took the chair and the House took recess.

House resumed at 8.25 and immediately went again into committee on the automobile bill. Dr. Dewar presented several resolutions in opposition, sent in from his district. He thought it would be quite in order for the Government to hearken to these expressions of the people's wishes. The Premier and Hon. Mr. McLean spoke in favor of the bill, setting forth the restrictions contained therein, which tend greatly to lessen any danger that might exist in connection with the running of motor vehicles. Mr. Dobie was satisfied with the bill and its restrictions. It was considered by the promoters of the bill that the annual school meetings throughout the Province would be a most opportune occasion to have an expression of opinion on this question. Mr. Speaker spoke on the question in general terms, discussing its different phases. Hon. Mr. Dalton said he represented the largest district in the Province, and he had not found any opposition in any part thereof to the autos. At 10.50 the bill was reported from committee with certain amendments, and ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Mathieson, a resolution, on which to found a bill to amend the road act, 1912, rendering it more efficient in the matter of breaking winter roads and in other respects. The resolution was reported and the bill was introduced, read a first time, and ordered to a second reading. The Premier also introduced a bill, founded on a resolution, entitled "The Income Tax Amendment Act, 1913." The bill was read a first time and set down for a second reading. The House then resumed committee on the election act. The bill was duly reported with amendments, and ordered to a third reading. The House then adjourned.

House met on Wednesday, 23, at 11.30. After routine, Hon. Mr. McKinnon introduced a bill, founded on a petition, to incorporate McGregor & McWilliams. Hon. Mr. Dalton introduced a bill, founded on a petition, "Relating to Foxes and other Furbearing Animals kept in Captivity." The following bills were read a second time and referred to committee: To confirm the titles to certain lands purchased from the Government by tenants on the former Lady Wood estate on Lot 67. After some time in committee, and considerable discussion, the Speaker took the chair and the chair man reported progress. The automobile bill was referred back to committee for an amendment to clause 22. The bill was reported agreed to with this amendment. It being 1 o'clock the House took recess.

House resumed at 3.15. The bill to confirm to purchasers the titles of lands on the former Lady Wood estate was reported from committee and ordered to a third reading. The House then went into committee on the bill to incorporate The Charles Dalton Sanatorium. The Speaker took the chair and the bill was reported with some amendments and ordered to a third reading. The bill providing for the removal of prisoners for surgical treatment in certain cases, was committed to a committee of the whole, duly reported without an amendment and set down for a third

reading. The following bills were also read a second time put through committee and held for a third reading: Telephone amendment act; Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages; Public Schools amendment act; Relating to Foxes and other Fur Bearing animals kept in captivity; amending the Chancery act; Prince Royal Black Fox Company; Road amendment act. At six o'clock the Speaker took the chair and the House took recess.

House resumed at 8.20. Hon. J. A. McDonald moved that a committee of three members be appointed to investigate a very peculiar case of hardship discovered in the operations of the Court of Chancery. The committee to report at the next session of the Legislature. The following members constitute the Committee: Hon. Messrs McKinnon, Stewart and McDonald. The following bills were then read a second time; put through committee reported and ordered to a third reading: Incorporating the Eastern Trust Company; the Income amendment act; Incorporating McGregor and McMillan. The following bills were then read a third time and passed: Incorporating North American Silver Black Fox Company; Prohibition Amendment Act; Election Act 1913. The Appropriation Bill was then put through all its stages and passed.

Hon. Mr. Mathieson moved the third reading of the Automobile bill. Mr. Martin moved in amendment, that the bill be read six months hence. The motion in amendment was seconded by Mr. McWilliams. Dr. Dewar rose to present some resolutions he had received from his district in opposition to the bill. He said that he favored the amendment, and expressed the opinion that the Government were making a mistake in repealing the auto prohibition act. He thought it was not wise to legislate in advance of the peoples wishes. It was possible he said, we might be more laughed at if we put this checkered bill on the Statute Book than if we did not allow autos to run. Hon. Mr. McLean said he was surprised to see some members who had been elected to the Legislature to support the Government, acting as they did in this matter. This bill, he said, would not come into force until ample time had been given to the people to discuss it. He did not think the resolutions presented were a fair expression of public opinion on the matter. The people would hold the Government responsible for whatever legislation went through the House. Hon. Mr. McKinnon said he knew quite well there were people for and against the running of automobiles. But this bill, he said, while under suspension, would afford an opportunity for testing public opinion in the matter. All the petitions presented were against the repeal of the prohibition act, but perhaps if the people were asked to oppose the present bill, with its restrictions, they would act differently.

The Speaker then put the motion for third reading and the amendment, and the House divided. The amendment was lost on the following division: For, Martin, McWilliams, Richards, Dr. Dewar, Feehan, John A. Dewar and Buntain—7. Against the amendment, Hon. Messrs. Mathieson, McLean, McKinnon, McNeill, Arsenault, Stewart, J. A. McDonald, Messrs. Dobie, Myers, L. L. Jenkins, Gallant, Dr. Jenkins, Eneas A. McDonald—13. Mr. Delany, although present, did not vote either way. Hon. Murdoch Kennedy was not in the chamber when the vote was taken. The bill was then read a third time and passed.

The following bills were also read a third time and passed: The Public Schools Amendment Act; Prince Royal Black Fox Company; Regulating Births, Deaths and Marriages; Telephone Amendment Act; Relating to Foxes and other Fur Bearing Animals held in captivity. The House then adjourned at 11.50.

House met at 11.40 a. m. Thursday, Hon. Mr. Mathieson moved that the sessional indemnity of \$200 be paid to Mr. Albert Simpson, who had been prevented by illness from attending the present session. In making the motion the Premier paid a high tribute to Mr. Simpson as a member of the Legislature. The motion (Continued on third page.)

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JOHN F. WHEAR,
Post Office Inspector,
Post Office Inspector's Office,
Ottawa, April 18th, 1913.
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SEALED TENDERS

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By order,
R. C. DESROCHERS,
Secretary.

Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, April 7, 1913.

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