## WINNING TICKET WAS CHOSEN IN CHARLOTTE COUNTY LAST EVENING

Messrs. Armstrong, Byron, Hill and Mc-Gee Nominated by Liberals-All Strong Men---Attorney-General in Able Speech Exposes Opposition Charges.

ST. STEPHEN, N. B., Feb. 3-The | by criticised by pointing out the tendconvention of government supporters throw the cost as well as the responfor Charlotte County met at St. Stephen this evening and was a grand success, although the weather conditions and the transportation facilities were very unfavorable.

Messrs. Hill, Armstrong. Byron and McGee were nominated for the legis-

from \$50,000 to \$75,000 from the storm, yet it was represented by more delegates than at the opposition convention in December last. The other islands have full delegations, and from every of the mainland within thirty miles of St. Stephen there was representation. One delegate found it neces sary to travel several miles on snowshoes and several of them had to dis through miles of snow drifts, but the delegates were present from every parish west of St. George.

The N. B. Southern Railway train got off the track during the forenoon and a special train could not be ar ranged for, so that the eastern section of Charlotte, which had full lists of elected delegates ready to take the train at St. George and Pennfield, was unrepresented. Sixty-four delegates were present and the hall was crowded. An association of government sup porters was formed so as to have a

nucleus for the future, and officers were elected as follows: N. Marks Mills. Pres.; T. Odell, V. P.: F. B. Hill. Sec. These with the candidates are to form an executive committee.

The ministerial association was r presented and made their proposition as to the opposition convention, and a ommittee of 25 was appointed to confer with those of the opposition, with view to do away with corruption.

Manan, regretting the inability to send a larger delegation, due to the disaster which the Island is suffering from, and a resolution was passed expressing the sympathy of the convention and its appreciation of the action of those ielegates whe had come from the is land under such adverse circumstance sition to have the can voted down. The names of George I Hill of Milltown, C. N. Vroom of St. Stephen, R. E. Armstrong of St. Andrews, George M. Byron of Campobello. and Andrew McGee of Back Bay, were was suggested, but refused to allow his name to be voted on. The ballot resulted in the choice of Messrs. Hill, Armstrong, Byron and McGee. McGee was detained with the St. George delegation at St. George, and George I. Hill was unable to reach St.

Stephen owing to the storm. Mr. Byron spoke briefly in accepting the nomination, referring to the progressive policy of the government the policy of the opposition being one of "tear down," not "build up." There is no plank in Mr. Hazen's vaunted platform which is not, if of any value, part of the policy of the governmen But "you cannot win the future with the battles of the past." While we are confident, we must yet work for vic

Mr. Armstrong said he had not until lately expected to be a candidate, but had always been, and was now, in accord with the policy of the local government. Two of the opposition candidates had abandoned that government only at the dictation of partisonship and it must be humiliating to them to admit, as the opposition does now ,that provincial politics should not be run n party lines. How much truth there is in their professions now may be seen by a glance at the list of opposition candidates.

Mr. McKeown expressed the fidence, based on the enthlsiasm of difficultes, of solid support for Charlotte for the government. There is not which it has any apprehension of los-

had attained in Kings the other day. There is not a dollar of corruption \$400,000 to capital account in 1908 which fund at the disposal of the government. The length of its existence is no sign that a government is weak. that there was in 1906 a deficit of \$316,-As it grows older it grows stronger so | 000 in the public works department. long as it is behaving itself. Mr. Mc- The speaker also attacked the govern-Keown repeated his exposure of the ment for guaranteeing the bonds of school book slander, and asked the the International Railway amounting judgment of his audience of men in all to \$1,176,000. who had to use such arguments. He J. D. Hazen was given a good recepreferred to the extravagent statements and added that the present government had added a trifle over \$2,600,000 to the debt, of which \$1,000,000 was accounted for by railways built and \$1,-

lenge, the dispute was as to what the experts, not by oratory.

Referring to the highway act, the intention of the government is to make the road law meet the wishes of the people. He criticised members of the opposition for moving amendments on fish from the Thames during illegal good faith, practically as an unconten- After a long consultation the bench tious measure. This was a cheap way held that an eel was a fish and ordered of trying to make party capital. Bidmead to pay costs.-Lloyd's Week-Mr. Hazen's road policy was effective- ly.

ency which it would bring about to

sibility of the roads entirely on the

In reference to the selection of Mr McGee as the St. George representa ive, the St. George delegates were consulted as fully as mossible by telephone. and Mr. McGee is a gentleman who will command a strong support, not only in Eastern Charlotte, but elsewhere among all who have business reousiness man of Back Bay, near St.

George I. Hill of Milltown is a good canvasser and a good speaker. He has served in the County Council for several years, and is one of the most R. E. Armstrong, editor of the Bea-

on, has a reputation outside the couny. He was the candidate for the nouse of commons in 1900, and since then he has worked hard in the interests of the county and of the party. Mr. Byron came within 96 votes of election in 1903, and his strength in his section is increasing steadily, as shown by the enthusiasm shown by the island delegates and by the assurances of support which have been re-

Charlotte is coming back.

### THE OPPOSITION **SELECT CANDIDATES** IN NORTHUMBERLAND

Morrison, Morrissey, Mc-

Lauchlan and Allain the Victims

excepting Gleneig, Hardwicke and noted that Hon, H. R. Emmerson con-Blissfield, who unanimously nominat- curred in this policy. ed Donald Morrison, M.P.P., of Newmember of the county council. sulted as follows: Morrison, 51: Morrissy, 50; Allain, 38; MacLauchlan, 32; Flett, 20; Stewart, 13. The four leading candidates were then made the un-

animous choice of the convention. Delegates from Blackville, Ludlow Canada Eastern. Colonel McCully pretion of the candidates, each one of the to power. nominees was heard in a stirring speech

A public meeting in the evening was attended by about 500 electors. J. L. Stewart presided and introduced the speakers. J. K. Flemming was the first to take the platform. He went into the financial conditions of the province and declared that while twenty years ago when Mr. Blair came into der \$1,000,000, it was today over \$8,000,-The average yearly increase those who had got together under such to 1901 it was \$80,000, and from 1901 to 1906 it was \$196,000. Mr. Flemed the culminatias point to which it true and coincided. Mr. Flemming at-

should have gone to current expenditure. Mr. Flemming also declared

tion. He declared that after one heard of the opposition regarding the debt, Mr. Flemming speak on the provincial finances it was no wonder Mr. Robinson refused to meet him on a public platform. Mr. Hazen called the government's policy regarding the Central 600,000 by steel bridges. For every Railway as one of the most scandalous dollar there 's value in the province in the history of the province. In return for guaranteeing bonds to the exat the policy of this government had tent of \$810,000 the government has got been followed by its predecesssors the about 23 miles of railway built. Mr. Haprovince would not own the N. B. zen declared his party stood for clean government, the keeping of expendi-Referring to Mr. Flemming's chal- ture within the income, the appointment of an auditor general independfiebt really was, as to whose version ent of party control, the betterment of was correct, and could be decided by roads and highways and the reduction

> of prices on school books. WHAT'S AN EEL?

through committee, in apparent a fish, but a "fresh water serpent."

## PREMIER ROBINSON THROWS BOMB INTO RANKS OF OPPOSITION

MONCTON, N. B., Feb. 3 .- Six hun-

dred Liberals, representing every point

in county, joined with the Liberals of

Moncton city this afternoon at the

in this county in nominating a winning

ticket in Westmorland, when this coun-

ty's big four were again enthusiastic

ally chosen to represent Westmorland

tions. Hon. C. W. Robinson, the pre-

mier of New Brunswick: Hon. F. J.

worthily upheld the Liberal standard

in this county for four years past,

Despite the bitterly cold weather

and the country roads badly blocked by

renomination of Westmorland's big

clared formally opened shortly after

sident Mayor E. A. Smith, of Shediac

quota to the enthusiastic gathering,

and from the far eastern end of the

county, from all points in every par-

ish there were numbers of representa-

A series of important resolutions

were passed at the convention. Con-

fidence in the Laurier administration

was renewed and the course of Hon.

ed a resolution approving of

also approving the proposed intentions

regarding the same. A large number

of other government policies were also

strongly approved. The resolution of

especial importance was that regard-

the following suggestions were made

lation: That statute labor be optional;

that the appointment of commission-

ers be delegated to the people interested; that the road tax be determined

annually by either the municipalities

Brief speeches were made by the

andidates. After passing the resolu-

tions all four candidates in accepting

nomination expressed the belief that

All four of the speakers were greeted

with great enthusiasm. Premier Rob-

inson told of the enthusiastic gather-

being used by the Conservatives

or districts to suit their needs.

had ever scored.

this election.

for consideration in framing new legis

tives.

When the convention was re-

the recent storms, Liberal stalwarts

from every remote portion of county

were again chosen and accepted

forthcoming provincial elec-

Surveyor General A.

B.

Independent Auditors Will Examine COUNTY SOLID and Report on Finances of Provinces.

Government Has Engaged Prominent Toronto Firm, Recommended by Bank of Montreal, to Go Over Provincial Accounts---Premier Will Stand by Their Report to People---Big Four Re-nominated in Westmorland.

MONCTON, Feb. 3-Premier Robin- | ed there. The meeting throughout was enthusiastic, auguring well for the on was the principal speaker at an enthusiastic meeting tonight when over thousand people crowded the opera During the day a letter was received house to its very limit. Other addresses from Hon. H. R. Emmerson, M. P., who is in Ottawa, expressing regret at his inability to be present. He stated

were delivered by Surveyor, General weeney, A. B. Copp, and C. M. Legere. John T. Hawke, president of the City in his letter that the motion in favor Liberal Society, presided, Mr. Robinson of acquiring branch lines and thus exdealt in a telling manner with the propanding the Intercolonial will be convincial finances, first taking up the sidered on Monday, and he thought it matter of the London loan and then his duty to his constituents to be presproceeded to deal with the bombastic challenge thrown out by J. K. Flemming, the opposition financial critic, Strong Ticket Renominated and to this he made an effective reply

"I have engaged," said Premier Robinson, "experts who have been recommended to me by the Bank of Montreal who are going to work upon the books and whatever their report is it will be placed fairly and squarely before the electors of the province at once. If it ondemns the government I cannot nance and figures and will rely upon their statement. Jenkins and Hardy, of nunicated with and I have informed them that the books, etc., can be seured at Fredericton.

In proceeding Premier Robinson dissected many of the financial statenents made by Hazen and Flemming and showed that while there had been arge expenditures of public money, it had been spent wisely and well as our embankments go to show. New Brunswick is progressive, he said, and the people want money spent so long as it the government's action in securing a CHATHAM. N. B., Feb. 3-The oppoiltion convention held here this after- report on the condition of the branch noon was attended by about sixty dele- railway lines with a view to their begates from all parishes of the county ing assimilated by the I. C. R. and

An interesting statement was made castle; John Morrissy, M.P.P., and by the premier regarding the school D. P. MacLauchian, mayor of Chat- books question. "We have decided," ham, and W. L. Allain of Neguac, a he said, "that we will appoint an independent commission of men who un-The names put in nomination were derstand the publishing of school books Donald Morrison, John Morrissy, D. P. and requirements of schools who will MacLauchlan, W. M. Allain, T.W. Flett be able to go into this question, reand J. L. Stewart. The first ballot re- gardless of politics entirely; go into the matter and see if there is any possible way by which school books can be les-

sened in price." Regarding the road law, the Premier spoke along the lines similar to those moved in resolution passed by the conand Blissfield were unable to reach the vention this afternoon. He pointed out convention owing to an accident on the much executive legislation which had been accomplished by the Liberal govsided at the convention, and W. L. T. ernment and closed with a strong ap-Weldon was secretary. After the elec- peal for the return of the Liberal party

An interesting feature of the adand the meeting closed with a short dress was the presentation of a financial statement, which schowed the manner in which the London loan was absorbed, as follows:

Papments made on capital accoun and for the redemption of six per cent debentures out of the proceeds of the temporary loan and treasury bills, 1900 by the proceeds of the London loan, power the debt of the province was un- 1907; 1905, the Bank of B. N. A. speck loan for permanent bridges, \$125,000; 1905, public works for permanent, from 1892 to 1896 was \$55,000; from 1896 \$175.000: 1906. public works for permanent bridges, \$74,872,53; 1907, N. B. Coal and Railway loan, made ming denied that there was any dif- by commissioners from Credit Fonseat which the government holds ference between his figures and those cier, \$250,000; 1907, board of works of Mr. Hazen's. Sometimes one re- over expended at October 31st, 1906, ferred to the net debt and sometimes \$197.065.97, 1907, provincial hospital \$22,-Referring to corruption he mention- to the gross debt, but the figures were 502.31, 1907, public works for permanent bridges \$126,739.19, 1907, N. B. Coal tacked the government for charging and Railway, repairs, etc., \$82,251.26. 1907. International Railway subsidy \$20,000.00. Total \$1,073,431.26, 1905 six percent. debentures redeemed \$75,000.00. 1906 six percent. debentures redeemed \$107,000.00, 1907 six percent debentures redeemed \$122,500.00. Total \$304,500.00. Grand total \$1,377,931.26. Cash in bank on Oct. 31, 1907, \$9.198.83. Total \$1,387,-136.09. Proceeds on London loan \$300,000, \$1.387.130.09.

The Premier's address was punctuated with continuous cheering as he scored point after point against the SUDDEN DEATH OF

He was preceded by A. B. Copp who. n a rousing campaign speech, excited much enthusiasm, scoring many oppo sition canvasses which, he said, the Conservative members would never dare to make on the floors of the house. Hazen should be proud of the candidates selected in this county, because they were brave men who had gone down before and were willing to go down again in defense of their party. on the work of his own department, that of crown lands, and pointed out that the revenue from game receipts that derived from crown lands under latent resources of our country, its

iron and coal.

# FOR GOVERNMENT

Rousing Meeting of Beacons field and Fairville Workers Held Last Night

and Fairville was held last evening at the residence of George Maxwell, Til-ton's Corner. Great enthusiasm was displayed by those present. The interest and confidence shown augur well for the overwhelming success of the government candidates and the determination expressed to leave no stone unturned in their efforts to this end would point to the rolling up of a majority greater than ever before the history of the county.

man of the meeting and John Howard In thanking those present for

election Mr. Maxwell took occasion to call upon all to work as they never there was any fear of defeat, but for the satisfaction of proving that all the increased majority that would be sure to result. On behalf of the county candidates he expressed regret that they could not be present at the meet-

ing to meet the workers, explaining that Mr. Lowell was busily engaged elsewhere and that the attorney ger eral was in St. Stephen attending the Charlotte county convention. He announced, however, that a meeting with and urged upon all to make the com ing one the greatest that had been camp of the enemy, and hoped that when the votes were counted on the shake hands with the other and point to the result as work well done.

Representatives at the booths were pointed for Beaconsfield district. A general discussion followed, parti-Armstrong, Frederick Henderson, John three o'clock, with County Liberal Pre- Ward, M. P. Kane, William McKee, the secretary and others.

crowded. Incoming trains, delayed by practical ideas as to how best to conduct the work of the campaign, each speaker confident of the result, gave the benefit of his experience, and a general working programme was

The date of a future meeting was decided upon and a most successful preliminary meeting was brought to a

#### H. R. Emmerson endorsed. The con-SUDDEN DEATH OF vention placed upon record its keen appreciation of the honor done Westmorland by bestowing the premiership upon Mr. Robinson and pledged itself to loyally support him and his collegislation movements introduced by the present provincial government were approved. The convention passlegislation regarding school books and

GAGETOWN, Feb. 3-This community received a terrible shock this after-noon when the sudden death of John W. Dickie, registrar of deeds for ng the provincial highways act, and Queens county occurred. Mr. Dickie was around town this morning as well as ever and seemed in the best of spirits. This afternoon he drove out to Lamfield to look after a bridge and was standing in the snow talking when he suddenly expired. The gentleman whom he was talking to rushed to help him up and managed to convey him to a nearby house, but before the house was reached life was extinct.

The sad news was conveyed to the family, who were simply heartbroken. the Liberal party in this province was as Mr. Dickie has always been known on the eve of the greatest victory it as a man of the kindest disposition and who was loved not only by his family but all who came in contact with him.

Mr. Dickie was in his 59th year. He

leaves a widow and three children, one ings in Carleton Kent and Albert, and son Arlington, who is connected with expressed great hope of a big major-Surveyor General Sweeney spoke Gladys, both of whom are at home. briefly of the protective work accomplished by the government, while C. M. Legere dwelt on the false canvasses A. B. Copp gave a stirring address, ly connected with all public affairs. Urbain Johnson, the eighty-four years Besides being registrar of deeds he cipient to preserve self respect. "he years old Liberal war horse of Kent was one of the municipal councillors, discussion showed that there was a county, was loudly applauded as he ex- having been one-fer many years, havpressed the hope that the Liberal gov- ing filled the office with great credit. For many years he conducted a large ernment would score a big triumph in general business, but several years ago retired to private life being short-

A CLOSE SHAVEL

he was an Episcopalian.

deeds. Mr. Dickie has been a life-long

Liberal, and his active work will be

much missed by his party. In religion

Mr. Raymond Blathwayt, in his lec-FREDERICTON, N. B., Feb. 3.-This ture on "People I Have Met," tells city was shocked today by the death how, during his recent provincial tour, which took place at Glassville about Mr. Beerbohm Tree was entertained at a big public luncheon by the Lord noon of Timothy Lynch, lumberman, Mayor of Manchester, and sat next to project. Surveyor General Sweeney spoke at Mr. Lynch's death came as a great Bishop Welldon, the new dean. Said some length, laying especial emphasis surprise to all. For several years past Dr. Welldon, "Well, Mr. Tree, what he had been suffering from stomach have you been doing today?" trouble of a nature which baffled phy- replied the famous actor-manager, " went for a long motor ride this morn Summoned the other day for taking at the present time was greater than sicians, but when he left on Thursday ing and I lost a bet." "Indeed," ansfor Glassville he was apparently in as wered the dean, "May I ask what the third reading of the bill, when the hours, Stephen Thomas Bidmead said Conservative rule. He eulogized the good health as for a long time. This bet was?" "Certainly, said Mr. Tree highway bill was passed, after letting he was celling and that an cel was not government's efforts to exploit the morning Mrs. Lynch and daughter left "I made a bet that we would pass for Glassville. When they reached through four hundred different odors, Newburg they received word of his and we only encountered three hun-C. M. Legere dwelt briefly on the death. Mr. Lynch was aged 66 years dred and ninety-nine." "Ah!" swiftly work done in the agricultural departant and was born near Bolestown. He replied the witty dean, "you missed the trial centres of Western Canada to the like prosecutions for witchcraft, had ment and the good results accomplish-leaves a wife and nine children.

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## EMMERSON MOVES 10 HAVE GOVERNMENT TAKE OVER BRANCH LINES

And Extend Intercolonial Westward-Resolution Endorsed by Members of Government and Opposition Alike-Strong Speech of Ex-Minister of Railways-Old Age Pensions

OTTAWA. Feb. 3 .- The commns be-A large and representative gathering gan the day with a discussion of an of the Liberal workers of Beaconsfield old age pension system which ended in a decision to appoint a committee to look into the proposal. In the evening there was discussed a proposal to have the Intercolonial take over its branches and extend its trunk line to Georgian

Finance Minister Fielding brought down a supplementary estimate for \$2,850,000 to enable the government to make advances to Alberta and Saskatchewan of the purchase and loan of seed grain to settlers, Sir Wilfrid stated that the government now had George Maxwell was elected chairunder consideration the \$82,000 which the government of Russia had paid for sealers of Canada wrongully seized. Dr. Sproule was told by Mr. Fielding that none of the bonds of the

Quebec Bridge Company had been sold, but money had been borrowed on them from the Bank of Montreal to the amount of \$5,561,507. Sir Wilfrid told Mr. Foster that 1,803 miles of the National Transcontinental between Moncton and Winnipeg had been located and that there is under contract for construction 859 miles. Disbursements to January 28 amount to \$21,364,364 and the obligations of the government for

construction were \$38,000,000. Mr. Emmerson was told by Sir Wil frid that passes were issued to P. S. Archibald and family last year by the Intercolonial in accordance with the usual courtesies extended by one rail way system to another, Mr. Archibald being general manager of the Elgir and Havelock railway. A pass was issued in June to Mrs. Harris, daughter of Mrs. P. S. Archibald, and in August and November trip passes were issued to Mrs. P. S. Archibald. Mr. Martin asked if the government

was taking steps to settle a dispute between the Dominion and the Maritime Provinces concerning fisheries, to prevent an amicable settlement and is the government aware that a divided jurisdiction has proved detrimental to the fisheries. Sir Wilfrid answered that spect to the fisheries. The government knows of no difficulties which should

ies interests could proceed on a better and more satisfactory basis with undivided jurisdiction. Mr. Pringle, of Cornwall, (Conservative) moved a resolution for the appointment of a committee to consider the question of old age pensions. The question had been before parliament before. In Great Britain the government had introduced an old age pension bill. From the reports of Danish and British commissions Mr. Pringle

argued that old age pensions would not have a pauperizing effect. There had been a system of old age pensions in operation with great success in New Zealand for nine years. Mr. Pringle declared for the Chaplain system which provides that every British subject in Great Britain over sixty-five shall receive a pension of from five to seven shillings a week if he has been convicted of no crime for the preceding twenty years. The adoption of the scheme in Canada would not cost much as the census showed that there were only 160,000 persons over seventy and he held that only a small proportion would declare themselves in need and apply for a pension. It was the duty of the state to provide for its aged and

helpless. Claud MacDonell, Toronto, and Hance Logan, Liberal, supported the proposal. Ralph Smith, Nanaimo, declared that he would make the pension plan universal and have it apply to women as well as to men.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that he rad told a delegation of the trades and lathe Street Railway in St. John, and two bor organization that he would apdaughters, Miss Annie and Miss proach the proposal for old age pensions with an open mind. That was the That Mr. Dickie is dead seems al- attitude of the government. He agreed most impossible to realize, as he has with Mr. Pringle that relief should not always been so well and so prominent- be given by the state as a charity but in a mind which would enable the revery large opportunity for difference of opinion respecting old-age pensions Hon. Mr. Fielding said that while all must sympathize with the humanitarian feelings of those who would ly afterwards appointed registrar of provide for the aged poor, however, as finance minister, he had to take a sordid view of the proposal and count the cost. The census showed there were in Canada 246,000 persons of 65 years and upward. To give a man a decent living in Canada costs three dollars a week. This would mean that the cost to Canada would be in the vicinity of forty million dollars a year. Calculations for a pension scheme should therefore be made on the basis

of increasing taxation to carry on the The motion then passed. Hon, H. R. Emmerson moved that in in furtherance of transportation interests of Canada the sphere of influence of the Intercolonial as a governmen operated railway should be extended by securing, by lease or otherwise, such Toronto has been sentenced to three branch lines now connected with the years in the penitentiary. This is re-Intercolonial as will move as direct freshing news. Insensibly the impresand profitable traffic feeders, and by sion seems to have been gaining extending the Intercolonial to indus- ground that punishment for perjury, Great Lakes by building or securing become obsolete.

runing rights to enable the Interco-lonial to extend its transportation facilities westward with a view of stimulating provincial and interprovincial traffic and facilitating the import and export trade of the Dominion through Canadian channels In speaking to his motion, Mr. Em-

merson said that the beginnings of governments of the various provinces. Mr. Emmerson discussed the reasons for the construction of the Intercolo compact and its location as a defensive rather than as a commercial commercial enterprise. The rates were neces sarily low and if as high as charged by other roads named have been far more than self-sustaining. been of great benefit to the manufacturers and merchants of Upper Canada who had through its cheap rates found a great market in the eastern provinces. Because there was a government behind the Intercolonial, was no reason why there should be lack of enterprise in it. A private- corporation would not hesitate to extend such reach out for traffic.

Governments in the past had built and aided in building branches, he was therefore not advocating a new principle. His proposal was a business propsition. If the Intercolonial was line and feder would be acquired. The Canadian Pacific and the Grand Trunk granted joint users' rights they had applied for over the Intercolonial : would be found that almost in a night the C. P. R. would acquire the independent branches now connecting with the Intercoloial. would then find itself denuded of the great freight and passsenger traffic which now flowed to the Intercolonial The C. P. R. trains would handle the

Mr. Emmerson enumerated the many

branch lines of various length connectthe government is appointing a dele- New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, some with power to discuss with accred- 25 in all, were aided by the Dominion ited representatives of the various local with cash subsidies amounting to \$6,governments the question of the rela- 1 752,844, by the provinces \$4,893,646, and tive rights and jurisdiction with re- by the municipalities \$404,023, a total of \$12,050,514. The confederation agreement proposed that the people should prevent an amicable settlement. The have railway connection but not that government appreciates that the fisher- the provinces should contribute. Many the money raised for construction the equipment was in many cases lacking therefore the committee were not getting the service they expected and the Dominion was not getting a return for the large outlay. It was a question if the government should not take steps to take over the enterprises and see that a return was given. Why should not the government do as the Grand Trunk and C. P. R. have done? That is to take over branches by leasehold. In some cases the owners of the branches were paid a rental equal to a little more than the interest on the value of the property. In some cases branches were taken over and given a share of the revenue of traffic. The Tobique Valley taken over by the C. P. R., was a New Brunswick example of the success of this. He thought the Intercolonial could acquire these lines on such basis, and that it would be good business to do so. It would be good for the communities as they would be served by the roads at a one railway rate instead of two. It would mean reduction of the charges of business management of the various roads. The single freight and improved service would promote the establish-

> and all Ontario and Quebec would ben-To fulfil its mission the Intercolonial should be extended to the centres of Ontario and to the Great Lakes. The Intercolonial could be extended over the Old Canada Atlantic. Mr. Telford, of North Grey, said he came from Owen Sound, where the people regarded the extension of the Intercolonial as an important and good

> ment of manufactories and capital

would flow in. A market would be en-

larged by the growth of the population

proposal. They would provide the traf-H. J. Logan declared the Intercolonial would be strengthened by acquiring the administration of its branches. The branches now, through arrangement with the C. P. R., were hardly feeders of the Intercolonial. The ticket and freight agents of these roads seld tickets and sent passengers to be turned over to the C. P. R. at the first point touched. The small roads were badly run and exorbitant in their rates. The roads could be put in first class shape by the lighter rails being replaced by heavier and by small locomotives being replaced by mogus. Because the Intercolonial was a confeder ation project was no reason why the Intercolonial should not have branch lines as they required them to develop. Geo. W. Fowler endorsed the resolution and adjourned the debate.

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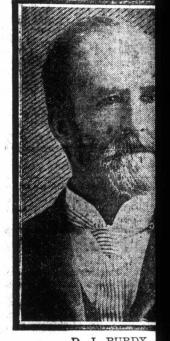
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The Delegates Present

Among the delegates prese following: Dr. C. F. Gorham, T. O. J. Mahoney, W. A. Lockhar Emery, F. Green, C. T. Morrisey, Col. Blaine, P. C. B. Allen, M. B. Edwards, tal. G. A. Troop, W. H Chesley, R. O'Brien, jr., Ri ner. John Stevens, T. Col ams. Francis McCafferty, P. L. Jennings, J. Allen, J. Martin Dolan, F. J. G.Know Coughlan, James Minehan, Hugh Beck, Thomas Trac O'Brien, C. J. Enslow, Sherry, J. W. Jamieston, J. J. J. Whelly, B. Morrow, R. J. L. McAvity, H. E. Codn ovan, J. V.Russell, C. H.Ran Campbell, J.S.Gregory, J.W.I B. Mullin.F. McMulkin, Char G. R. Craigie, A. M. Roy Kerr, Wm. Doherty, P. I P. Quinn, D. Hagerty, Joseph Kiervin, Ralph Mcc Alfred Ring, Richard Lee, He George Fawcett, I. E. Smith

ons, Elmer Young, W. J. That there was no lack among the voters was so They began to fill the large rapidly, and when 8 o'clock big place was filled with exp

G. Wetmore Merritt was chairman, and as soon as twas called to order W. J. Ma sented the report of the committee to the effect Purdy Edward Lantalum. ner and Mayor Edward Sea chosen as standard bear

The report was received siasm and Dr. Gorham mov tion, seconded by James The ratification was as un the action of the delegates submitted to the conventi there was no opposition to

D. J. Purdy, M P. P.

With pleasant remarks Wetmore Merritt introduce speaker of the evening, D and that gentleman receiv greeting from the audience. for the honor bestowed upd happily expressed, though some other gentlemen in the would have made better sele made a happy reference to t of his colleague, Mr. Lanta North End, noting that he in his own ward, and he would do it again. The vig sertion that they were in win and would stand by

E. Lantalum, M. P. P.

Lantalum has seldon more appropriate speech.H occasion to thank those pre hearty nomination and ende did not expect an easy fi harder the battle was the b ed it. They would stand der their premier and leade son and there would be n victory when the polls cl

A. O. Skinner

A. O. Skinner had a goo and after a few introducto he thanked the delegates i tion and said he would do to be worthy of the honor of ing the city. He urged up