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had never been developed in the past. The Government also had made a wise move in taking advantage of the sale of desirable thoroughbred horses to secure at a very low cost desirable animals for the improvement of the general purpose and driving horses of the province. Although this importation had been intended for a time and the horses in question described as "spindle-legged," dog bodied, saddle horses only fit for racing or fox hunting, the horsemen of the province appreciated the importation and bought the horses quickly at small out prices to pay all expenses. It was an importation unique in the history of this province, entailing not a gigantic loss to the treasury of the province, but covering all expenses and exemplifying the sound business ability of the Government.

The Immigration Policy.

It was gratifying to know that an organization for the securing of desirable immigrants would be carried out. The Salvation Army had done good service and he was glad, indeed, to know that the Canadian Pacific Railway would co-operate in the efforts of the Government to place the attractions of the province before desirable people and assist in bringing them here. This policy was aggressive and characteristic of the Government's ability to govern the province in the best interests of the people. He was glad to know that the rights of our own people would be safeguarded and that when grants of land could be properly given, our men will have the preference.

He believed the wealth hidden beneath our soil was greater than we had any idea of and he hoped that in the near future more legislation for the development of mines than was proposed at present, would be needed. The increase in territorial revenue was in line with the general policy of the Government and a credit to the gentleman in charge of the Crown Land Department.

Proposed Legislation.

The matter of the fisheries in regard to our relations with the Dominion Government was a subject that had been referred to in the speech for many years. It was regrettable that this question could not be settled and commended the Government for endeavoring to obtain a fair settlement to the province.

Legislation for the prevention and suppression of tuberculosis would, he was sure, have greater than we had any idea of and he hoped that in the near future more legislation for the development of mines than was proposed at present, would be needed. The increase in territorial revenue was in line with the general policy of the Government and a credit to the gentleman in charge of the Crown Land Department.

The three hundredth anniversary of the birth of Champlain was an occasion worthy of note, not only on account of its great historic interest and the presence of the Prince of Wales, and other notable men, but because it marked the closing out of the last trace of racial and religious discord in this Canada of ours. It left our people a united people recognizing each others rights and making no distinction between their race and creed, citizens of a grand and glorious Dominion, and who were proud to fly the flag, the Emblem of the Liberty of Conscience and equal rights to every man. The people of New Brunswick were proud of their British connection and of the vast extent of the Empire of which they formed a part. As Canadians they were proud of the growth and progress of the Dominion, rapidly advancing to the status of a nation, but as no federation could be greater than its component parts, the people of New Brunswick must do their share. Progress and advancement should be the watch word. The allusion to New Brunswick once sneeringly made, as part of the shreds and patches of the Dominion would not now be repeated by any well-informed man. Our people had a large portion of provincial pride and it was well that they should. It was well that their representatives should for we could and we should be reckoned with as an important factor in the building up of the Dominion. We were the inheritors of a goodly portion of Canada, for nowhere was there a better country or a better people than in this beautiful God found province of New Brunswick.

DR. BOURQUE.

Dr. Bourque, of Kent, said that in rising to second the address in reply to the speech of His Honor he did so with a great deal of timidity, first by reason of the eloquent address just delivered by the mover and also because he would be speaking in a language other than his mother tongue. He, however, accepted the honor of this addressing the House knowing the indulgence the members were wont to extend to new and inexperienced speakers. He, in common with other members, had listened with attention and pleasure to the speaker who had just taken his seat, and who had touched upon the various topics mentioned in His Honor's address. He felt that the people of the province had reason to congratulate themselves upon the interest taken by the present Government in the affairs of the province.

Government Getting Close to People. They had heard much criticism through the Opposition press and otherwise because the Government is so active in its desire to come into close contact with the people and find out their actual needs, but the Government is to be commended for

this. Last session an Agricultural Commission was appointed to find out the needs of the province along agricultural lines, and all must acknowledge that their course in this respect was in the public interest. The Government is criticised because the Highway Act passed at the last session has not been put in force, but it was well understood that the people would be given opportunity to pronounce upon the Act before putting it in force. The question of immigration is arousing new interest largely because of the interest displayed by the Government, and it is hoped and expected that the energetic policy adopted by the Government will result in bringing in many new settlers. It is the unfortunate fact that in years gone by many of the best young men of the province left their homes and went elsewhere. There must be some reason for this, and the Government has applied itself to getting in close touch with the people and finding out this reason. He was much pleased to see that the Government is taking steps to stamp out the great white plague. As a medical man, coming so often in contact with tuberculosis, he has often asked himself why some such action as the Government is now proposing had not been taken before. In his opinion, smallpox, though a much dreaded disease, is far less to be feared than is tuberculosis. He believed that if the Government is able by intelligent enquiry and energetic action to stamp out tuberculosis to any considerable extent it will be benefiting the people to a greater extent than in any other possible way.

Dr. Bourque concluded his address by quoting the French axiom, that that is a Government best deserving the support of the people that does the most for the people.

HON. C. W. ROBINSON.

Hon. C. W. Robinson, leader of the Opposition, followed and congratulated the mover and second upon their excellent addresses, which equalled any he had ever heard in the House.

After referring to the tercentenary celebration at Quebec, he charged the Government with negligence in not having the Scottish farmers see more of this province on their visit to Canada.

Continuing, he referred to the fires at the Provincial Hospital and Kingston Consolidated School as matters of regret. He thought greater efforts should be put forth to have a settlement of the fisheries claims and the fishing industry should be given active support.

Regarding the new system of book-keeping, he said that the former Government had looked into that matter and the credit for the change was not all due to the present administration.

He complained that the importation of thoroughbred horses had been made without authority.

Referring to the Highway Act, Mr. Robinson said that in defiance of the provisions of the law much road work had been done last fall while the Dominion elections were on and that it had been done with the object of aiding the Conservative candidates.

He also complained that the session had been called too late, the delay being to allow the starting of a paper in St. John favorable to the Government, it was said, or hoping that the courts would deprive the newly elected member from Carleton of his seat.

Referring to the two members elected during recess, Hon. Mr. Robinson congratulated Mr. Burchill, the member-elect for Northumberland, who he said would make a decided acquisition to the House and an excellent member.

"Yes," rejoined Hon. Mr. Morrissey, "and a supporter of the Government."

One of Mr. Robinson's Errors.

He believed that some of the best game wardens in the province had been dismissed simply because they were thought to be on the wrong side of politics. He also understood that the Government had appointed game wardens who were not competent for the position, and who were appointed solely because they were party heaters, and their appointment does not do the province nor the Government any credit, as there were serious reflections against them.

Hon. Mr. Hazen—Name them.

Mr. Robinson—Messrs. McVill and Burt in Carleton county.

Hon. Mr. Grimmer—These men are not game wardens at all; they are lumber cruisers. (Laughter and applause from Government benches.) Mr. Robinson, continuing, said that he did not think the Government was justified in dismissing officials solely because they were opposed politically to the administration.

He knew of serious charges against these men.

Hon. Mr. Flemming—Name them; they are as honorable as you are.

St. John Valley Railway.

We had expected mention would be made in the speech to the St. John Valley Railway. This was a matter of very great importance and one which the Government should give most earnest attention to. They should do all possible to aid and encourage such an enterprise.

Fails to Make Good More Charges.

He had heard the statement made that the crown lands are not administered in the interests of the province, but in the interests of some Conservative candidates.

Mr. Hazen—Do you make that statement on your responsibility as a member of this House?

Mr. Robinson—I have no personal

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