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NOTICE.

By order of the Town Council of the Town of Chatham.

Public notice is hereby given that a bill will be presented for enactment at the next meeting of the Council of the Town of Chatham, N. B., on the 13th day of March, 1901, to amend the Act respecting the assessment of rates on property in the Town of Chatham.

Also to provide that a discount of five per cent. shall be allowed on all property on which the amount of taxes assessed against them in the Town of Chatham, N. B., for the year 1900, shall be paid on or before the 31st day of March, 1901, and two and one-half per cent. thereon if paid on or before the 31st day of August, 1901.

Also to amend the Act respecting the assessment of rates on property in the Town of Chatham, N. B., so that the amount of taxes assessed against them in the Town of Chatham, N. B., for the year 1900, shall be paid on or before the 31st day of March, 1901, and two and one-half per cent. thereon if paid on or before the 31st day of August, 1901.

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Miramichi Advance.

CHATHAM, N. B., MARCH 7, 1901.

A "Bluff"—It was rather amusing to note the "bluff" the town solicitor put on the Town Council on Monday evening when he seriously intimated that if he had not forwarded his authorized town bill as he did it could not be introduced in the legislature. Wonder if he really did not know better than that? If he did what was his object in making the statement?

The Town Council ordered that a petition be sent to the legislature on a certain subject and that the solicitor prepare it. Instead of doing so, he prepared a bill and forwarded it to a member to be introduced. And the Council so far forgot itself as to condone the liberty taken.

A Changed Policy.
Mayor Sumner of Moncton, who was one of the stalwart Fosterites of the province and a strong adherent of the Moncton Convention's policy, by which it was sought to introduce Dominion politics into local government matters, has abandoned that policy, and we hasten to congratulate him on his change of heart. He now tells the people of Moncton that it is a great mistake to mix up Federal politics with local affairs. He thinks that running Moncton town elections on Dominion lines has hurt the city, and if continued will retard its growth and development. We accept Mr. Sumner as a returned prodigal son who has so soon tired of Dominion politics.

Undesirable Sponsoring the Town Council.
It was, no doubt, quite a surprise to the large number of citizens who composed the audience at the Chatham Town Council meeting on Monday evening to learn that the proposed town bill for the legislature had been forwarded for introduction before being approved by the Council. The legal gentleman who was engaged to prepare the bill appears to have imagined that the Council had delegated its full powers to him. Now that the Council has changed the part of the bill which was not authorized—that seeking to have tax-defaulter elect the Town Council—it will have to be changed. If the Council had a proper sense of its own dignity it would have set the mark of its disapproval upon the liberty taken in prematurely forwarding the bill without its authority. The majority of the Council, however, do not appear to be concerned about such trifles. Fortunately, no council which can succeed in the present one will think of accepting any of its actions procedurally.

A Retail Sub-Contract Policy.
With all due respect to Mr. Coffin, many people having experience in making contracts for Water Works plants will not agree with his recommendation that the Chatham system be tendered for piece-work. The most generally approved plan is to invite tenders from big concerns able to do the whole work, and make a contract for the delivery of same completed and properly tested to the town, a considerable percentage of the amounts due from time to time on the progress estimates to be retained by the town until the final test is made and everything found up to agreement and in good working order. Mr. Coffin's plan is to get this here and there and another thing somewhere else. Then the excavating and laying of the pipes, making connections, etc., will be done by other parties. If when the pressure test is applied there are breaks no one will be responsible and the town will have to foot the bills.

We well remember that when the Fredericton water system was put in and tested, two or three of the big pipes were found to be defective and they had to be uncovered and replaced by the operation involving considerable expense. These defects cost the city what had prudently placed the whole contract for the work in the hands of a big company, who were bound to deliver it after a specified test, and they did so. Fredericton has had no reason to regret that it secured thoroughly good work and a good system by avoiding the retail method of dealing with the work now recommended by Mr. Coffin. We are surprised that a gentleman of his reputation should make such a recommendation.

Premier Tweedie.
[Telegraph]
We present today the maiden speech in the house of the Hon. L. J. Tweedie as premier of the province of New Brunswick. In it will be found the evidence of careful thought on subjects of great importance to our people. The government's policy on all lines is announced with a clear cut decision which will impress the electorate which will Tweedie's long service as a member of the House of Assembly, and as a member of the executive is finding an opportunity for intelligent action in the measures proposed for enactment.

The action of the opposition press which has so persistently attempted to misrepresent the motives and underrate the executive ability of New Brunswick's premier, finds its most emphatic rebuke in his well considered and clear announcement of the various measures for the betterment of the local conditions. The moderate language of the premier is in marked distinction to the rant and jingoism of the opposition leader, and his following in the house. The people will be most pleased to see the premier in the most responsible position of his ability to discuss public questions without any personal animosities. The premier has made a good impression in his debut as leader of the house. We have

no doubt his future will fully justify the opinion that the people of the House since he formed, that the Hon. L. J. Tweedie is a worthy successor to the premiership of the Hon. A. G. Blair, the late Hon. Jas. Mitchell and the Hon. Henry R. Emmons.

A Severe Rebuke.
In a case recently cited in the chancery division of the High Court of Justice in Dublin in an arbitration award in a matter between two rival steamship companies was at issue, Mr. Samuel Lawler, who is quite well known to many business men on the Miramichi, was an important witness, he being the principal representative and owner of one of the steamship lines affected and having caused the settlement between the two companies to be referred to the arbitrator. He and his partners, Messrs. J. J. Mack & Sons, Liverpool, were not satisfied with the arbitrator's award and the matter went before the High Court in Dublin, as stated.

The Vice-Chancellor, in giving judgment, said the defendants had signed the submission and also the award, and on both these challenges they proceeded on the ground of gross fraud on the part of the parties concerned on behalf of the plaintiffs. The arbitrator was a gentleman of high character and repute. The deed of submission was prepared by Mr. McDowell at the express desire of Mr. Lawler. It was signed by all the parties with full knowledge of its contents, but the defendants now sought to get behind Mr. Lawler, stating that they never consented to give the arbitrator a power to order the company to sell to the other, and this clause was a sham, and was merely inserted to enable Mr. G. G. Blair to do it to his shareholders for the purpose of influencing them to sign the submission. His Lordship believed that the charge was a gross fabrication, supported by false swearing on the part of Mr. Lawler, and not founded in any way by the other witnesses, Mack, His Lordship believed the submission was hurriedly prepared by Mr. McDowell and it could not in point of law be quarrelled with. As to the award itself, His Lordship held, notwithstanding what he heard of the evidence, that the award was valid. The audacious evidence of Mr. Lawler, who, he thought, showed an utter disregard for truth that could hardly be expected from a person of his respectable appearance. What he had done was to affirm in the King's Bench Division was dicitly contradicted by part of what he swore in the box there, and that without any particular feeling or sense of responsibility. His Lordship could not set on Mr. Lawler's unimpaired testimony. Every statement he had made had been contradicted to His Lordship's satisfaction. He held that the plaintiffs had established their case, and he must give a decree for specific performance.

New Brunswick Legislature.
The New Brunswick Legislature was formally opened at Fredericton last Thursday afternoon by His Honor, Lieutenant-Governor McLean. The day was a fine one and cold.

Before the opening—at 12 o'clock—the members took the oath of allegiance on King Edward before Judge Gregory, who also clerk Ruford, clerk assistant Dibble and sergeant-at-arms, Rutter.

At three o'clock the galleries of the assembly chamber were filled, and all available space on the floor was occupied by privileged visitors and residents of Fredericton. Two detachments of Newcastle Field Battery, under command of Major Malby, with two nine-pounder guns which they had taken with them for the purpose, were stationed on Parliament Square and then fired a salute of fifteen guns as the governor and staff appeared, the precision with which the guns boomed at exact intervals of thirty seconds being the subject of complimentary comment by the military authorities present.

The guard of honor, composed of the military school corps, under Capt. Thacker, received His Honor, and the band of the same organization played.

The clerk declared the resolution carried and Hon. Mr. Robinson was escorted to the chair by the mover and second amid the acclamations of the House.

Mr. Robinson returned his thanks to the Assent by the hon. member present on him and claimed for the members the usual privileges.

Congratulations followed, the members crowding up to the dais to shake the Speaker's hand.

His Honor attended by his staff again entered the chamber and seating himself on the throne opened the session with the speech, which was one of the best ever prepared for such an occasion, and we regret that we are obliged for want of space, to forego its publication.

The results of the by-election were next declared and the seven new members—all government supporters—returned since Mr. Tweedie became premier were introduced.

Mr. Copp, the new member for Westmorland, moved and Mr. Ryan, the new member for Albert, seconded the address in reply to the speech, both acquitting themselves creditably.

Mr. Hazen, leader of the opposition, followed, complimenting the mover and second of the address and briefly refer-

red to the changes that had taken place in the membership of the House since he had last met, to the speech as being too long for all that it contained, to the proposal for an agricultural college, which he approved, to the promise to develop the Queen's county coal fields, of which he also approved, to the steel bridge question, the expenditure of the government's money in permitting its supporters, in course, to decide who the new speaker should be and closed with an eloquent eulogy of the Queen.

His Honor Tweedie then moved the adjournment, and the House rose at 6 o'clock, after having first decided to meet hereafter at 3 p.m. instead of 2:30.

Fredericton, March 7.—The house met at 3 o'clock. The Hon. Mr. Tweedie submitted the report of the committees appointed to nominate all general and standing committees as follows:

On contingencies—Messrs. Applby, Copp and Thompson, in place of Messrs. Carrill, Robinson and Gibson.

On library—Messrs. Allen, Tweedie and Hill, in place of Messrs. Robinson, Emmons and Carrill.

On privileges—Messrs. Pappyl, Allen and Hill, in place of Messrs. White, Emmons and Wells.

On standing rules—Messrs. Copp and Hill, in place of Messrs. Wats and White.

On accounts—Messrs. Omsa, Tom Humphrey, Barnes, Tweedie, Wats and McLean.

On agriculture—Hon. Mr. Pappyl, Messrs. Campbell, O'Brien, No. (Dunsmuir), Scott, McLeod, McLennan, McCann, Fleming, Little, Carpenter, Richard Pappyl, Jeter, Johnson, Gagnon, Glaser and Todd.

On municipalities—Messrs. McKenna, Hill, Lablache, McLean, Wats, Hill, Zorn, Pappyl, Copp, Johnson, Foster, Hill, Zorn, Fleming, Young, Ferris, Porter (Glasgow), Tweedie, Gagnon, Porter, Campbell, Omsa, Humphrey, O'Brien (Charlottetown), Scott, Russell and Pappyl.

On corporation matters—Barclay, Tweedie, Pappyl, Dane, Hill, Todd, Appleby, Barnes, Ryan, L. Forest, Scott, Thompson, O'Brien (Northumberland), Carpenter, Hazen, Lawson, Gagner, Omsa, Allen, Shaw, Robertson, Barnes and Matt.

On law practice and procedure—Messrs. Tweedie, Pappyl, McKenna, Todd, Hazen, Lawson and Allen, Shaw, Robertson, Barnes and Matt.

The committee asked leave to make a further report: the report was received and adopted and leave granted.

Hon. Mr. Tweedie submitted the report of the committees on the people's petitions. He said that he had received in his office 1,500 petitions in the last 24 hours, and he had not had time to read them all. He said that he had received in his office 1,500 petitions in the last 24 hours, and he had not had time to read them all.

HON. L. J. TWEEDIE.
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a market anywhere. I know of one pulp company that will take 30,000 tons annually, and another 10,000 tons. I consider it the duty of the government to assist in the development of these coal fields and I believe this house will do so. I have no objection to the bill if it is in accord with the measure which we will propose for that purpose.

The leader of the opposition agrees with our policy in regard to the public accounts. It is not a matter of the government's policy to publish the public accounts, but it is a matter of the government's policy to publish the public accounts.

Hon. Mr. Tweedie introduced a bill to provide for the development of the coal areas in Queen's and Sashbury. He explained that the object of the bill was to promote the construction of a railway which would enable the coal to be taken to the coast. The Government will guarantee the project and interest of first mortgage bonds of any company authorized to construct a railway from Chatham to Fredericton. The amount guaranteed is not to exceed fifty per cent of actual cost of railway, and interest not to exceed three per cent. The Company shall itself be established on Monday and a plan for its organization shall be laid before the House on Monday next.

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justice, civil courts, parish courts and local courts. The bill was read first and second time and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Tweedie, Pappyl, Hazen, Mott, McLean, Allen, Carpenter, Appleby and Lawson. The committee reported on Monday next.

Mr. Dan committed a bill to extend the closed season for beaver until July 1904. Agreed to.

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