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THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

It is not too much to say that the majority of the people of this province were disappointed when they learned that Lieut.-Gov. Wood had assented to the bill guaranteeing bonds to the extent of \$2,000,000 for the Valley Railway.

FOOLING THE PEOPLE

The St. John Standard approves of the \$2,000,000 bond guarantee on the ground that "it is of the greatest importance that the Valley Railway should be completed as soon as possible."

SUSSEX DOES WELL

The enterprising citizens of Sussex are taking practical steps to solve the housing problem in that town. A committee has been appointed at a largely attended meeting of citizens to solicit subscriptions for the formation of a building society.

encouraging feature about it is that the citizens propose to co-operate. The Sussex Record, discussing the question, says there never was a time in the history of the town when so many people were looking for houses to buy or to rent, and it declares that twenty-five houses could be rented at once if they were available.

On the contrary, it makes all the more necessary a vigorous immigration policy to bring into the province people who will settle on the land and stay on the land.

If Lieut.-Gov. Wood had refused his assent to the \$2,000,000 bond guarantee he would today have been the most popular man in New Brunswick.

Hon. H. F. McLeod says that any money he received while a member of the Flemington government was for professional services. The nature of those services, to whom rendered and at what fee will no doubt be learned by the Royal Commission.

It is unfortunate for the province that the house of assembly was only prorogued on Saturday. If it had been dissolved the people would have proceeded to send to Fredericton representatives more worthy of confidence than those who supported the \$2,000,000 bond guarantee.

The Victoria Colonist says:—"Mr. Talbot M. Pagnieur addressed the Canadian Club in St. John recently, and gave so much satisfaction that The Times, of that city, was led to observe that speeches of the same kind would do more to promote racial unity in Canada than anything else. This is very true.

The courage of the St. John Standard has been somewhat revived. Lieut.-Gov. Wood has assented to the bond guarantee, and the Standard hopes he will appoint such a Royal Commission as would be pleasing to its friends.

The Standard this morning plucks up courage to say that "it will be found that the government of the province of New Brunswick fully justifies that large measure of public confidence which has been accorded to it."

The Standard fully justifies that large measure of public confidence which has been accorded to it. If the Standard is as confident as it professes to be, it will insist upon the most searching inquiry into the Dugal charges, in order that the triumph of the government over its opponents may be all the more notable.

The electors of the city will be asked at the election for mayor and commissioners next week to say also whether they are in favor of extending the franchise to married women who pay taxes.

Any distinction between them would be so extremely far-fetched as to have very little effect upon the minds of reasoning people. It is fair to assume that the great majority of the present electors will heartily approve of adding to their numbers the seven hundred married women who pay taxes.

LIGHTER VEIN.

Proof Positive Lawyer—Did you examine this lady carefully before certifying that she was insane? Physician—Yes, I asked her age and she said she was two years older than she was.

Scuttle Girl "When I marry it will be for love only." "Is that so?" "And if some poor man proposes to you?" "But he won't. I shall take good care not to fall in love with any man who isn't able to provide me with what luxuries I require."

The Consoletion "There is one occasion in being home-ly," she said. "And what's that?" "Nearly all the other women are willing to concede that I am amiable and will make a good wife for some man."

Unsympathetic Miss Miss Keen—Too bad that your friend Algy has brain trouble. Are they doing anything about it? Cholly—They can't locate it, you know.

Unfortunate Illustration Fig—Do you believe in metempsychosis? Fogg—Come again, please! Fig—It's like this. According to that doctrine, my soul, after I get through with it, may inhabit the body of a jackass.

On a Diet First Moth—Variable weather. Second Moth—Yes, I don't know whether to eat a spring coat or a winter coat.

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