

GOVERNMENT FARES BETTER THAN THEIR MOST ARDENT SUPPORTERS ANTICIPATED

ANNUAL MEETING HELD YESTERDAY

Bank of New Brunswick Had Good Year

OLD BOARD RE-ELECTED

James Manchester is Re-elected President of Institution

The Bank of New Brunswick, according to the statement presented to the shareholders at the annual meeting yesterday, has just passed one of its most successful years. The old board of directors was re-elected and James Manchester was re-elected president.

The net profits of the bank for the year 1909, after making all the customary deductions amount to \$1,347,125. The dividends received 13 per cent. earnings on the par value of their shares, paid quarterly, which is an increase upon the 12 per cent. of previous years. The dividends absorbed \$1,215,877 of the foregoing. There was added to the rest account \$25,000, an increase over the amount added in the previous year. The rest now is \$1,347,125, against \$1,291,875 last year. The dividends are now \$1.347,125, equal to 178 per cent. of the capital stock. There is added to the pension fund a sum of \$5,000. The report shows that the bank is steadily extending the field of its operations, both in the province and beyond its borders, and it has now about twenty-two branches or agencies in desirable localities. The accounts have all been audited by chartered accountants and stockholders can feel comfortable over the condition of this well-managed monetary institution, whose prosperity may, perhaps, be an indicative of the satisfactory condition of the general business of St. John.

The meeting was attended by Messrs. James Manchester, W. W. White, M.D., G. West Jones, F. P. Starr, G. P. Baker, W. H. Thomas, J. D. Hargreaves, J. R. McInnis, M.D., G. A. B. Addy, M.D., J. Willard Smith, T. Barclay Robinson, W. E. Foster, Gershon Mayes, and others, as well as the manager, Mr. R. B. Kessen. Mr. Manchester was called to the chair, and Mr. Foster acted as secretary.

After the annual report had been read Mr. Manchester commented on the good showing of the bank. He stated that it was necessary to keep the dividend at 13 per cent and that the conservative policy of the bank would be continued.

Manager Kessen spoke briefly and said the policy of owning bank premises was a good one. The opening of a branch in Montreal was in view.

General discussion followed. Some shareholders thought that investment in bank premises was not a good one. Others expressed the opinion that stock should not be issued at a rate of \$1 a share for each meeting. The resolution was unanimously carried.

On motion of Mr. Emerson, seconded by Mr. Barnhill, it was agreed to alter a by-law so that \$5,000 a year might be appropriated to pay the directors. Last year \$4,200 was spent, \$1,000 going to the president and the remainder to the directors at the rate of \$1 a day for each meeting. The resolution was unanimously carried.

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OLD COUNCILLOR BADLY DEFEATED

WOODSTOCK, N. B., Jan. 17.—The town election was held here today and although a small vote was polled, a keen interest was manifested. The first four councillors elected served at last year's board and Councillor Fawcett, who also sat at the board of 1909, was badly defeated. The following is the result: McManus, 372; Ketchum, 370; Hargreaves, 339; Fisher, 335; Allingham, 289; Watson, 263; Fawcett, 182; Boyer, 184.

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HUGH HAY. WOODSTOCK, Jan. 17.—The death of Mr. Hugh Hay, senior member of the firm of Hugh Hay and Son, took place on Sunday evening. He had just recovered from a serious illness, and afterwards caught a cold which developed into pneumonia. Mr. Hay was eighty-one years of age, and was born at Cumberland Bay, Queen's County. For a short time he carried on a milling business at Benton, and afterwards moved to Woodstock. About 1853 he started a general store, which he changed in a few years into dry goods, clothing and furnishing. Mr. Hay made many trips to England, where he personally selected his goods. He was an honest and energetic business man, and always took an interest in town affairs. He served at the Council Board for many terms. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Fawcett, wife of Hon. L. P. Fawcett, of White's Cove, Queen's County, four sons, W. W. Hay, of Woodstock; Dr. Hugh Hay, of Chipman, Queen's County; Chas. M. Hay, of Philadelphia; and Clarence Hay, of Aberdeen, Dakota. The funeral will take place on Wednesday. Rev. George D. Ireland, of St. Paul's church, of which deceased was a member, will officiate.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Unionists Gain 19 Seats, Liberals 4—Scotland and Wales to Come—Solid Liberal—Burns Elected—Greenwood Defeated—Government Expects Majority of 200.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—Good but not good enough, is the Unionist admission of the failure of their attack on the Liberal government. Unless future pollings furnish unexpected surprises the Liberals are calculating on a majority of 200 inclusive of Labor and Nationalist vote.

There cannot be said to have been many surprises today. Some expected that John Burns, president of the local government board, would be defeated in the Battersea division of Battersea and Clapham, but pessimism has been present in every election since Burns has been a candidate.

Other state officials who had to fight for their seats and were successful, were Augustin Birrell, chief secretary for Ireland, and C. E. Hobhouse, financial secretary to the treasury in Bristol, and Dr. T. J. MacNamara, secretary to the admiralty, in Camberwell. Their majorities were considerably reduced.

In fact, this happened all through the country, the huge majorities secured by the Liberals in almost all cases. Indeed, many of the Liberals who became members of the House of Commons by the grace of the landlords that year, have been sent back to private life.

Among them is Hamar Greenwood, a Canadian, who represented York and was considered a prominent candidate for high office. Another Canadian, Joseph Martin, former premier of British Columbia, was more successful, winning the seat for St. Pancras, East.

Other prominent members defeated included L. G. Chiozza Money, the apostle of free trade, who lost his seat for North Kensington, and Will Crooks, the labor leader, for Woolwich; Sir H. Robson, the Liberal candidate for North Kensington, failed to get a majority, as did also Sir John Gorst, an ex-minister and at one time a member of the Fourth party, whose leading spirits were A. J. Balfour and Lord Randolph Churchill.

On the other side, Lord R. Criel and G. Stewart Bowles, who ran as free trade Unionists, failed in their attempt to oust Philip Snowden, the labor leader, and Sir Thomas Barclay, at Blackburn. Doctors had much to do with the defeat of Claude May, Unionist, in the Hoxton division of Shropshire. His opponent was Dr. C. Addison, famous consulting surgeon, Hay.

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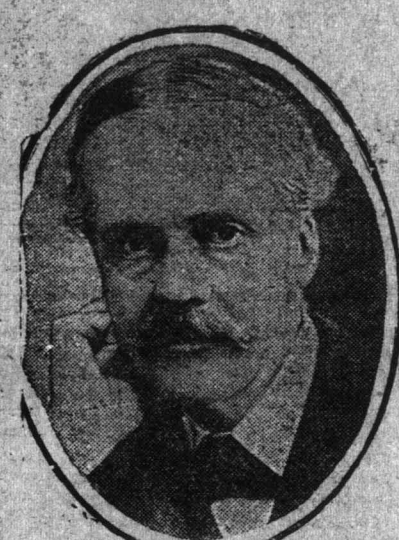
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The general view of the Midlands section, especially in the vicinity of Birmingham, favors tariff reform. The victory of the Unionists at Walsall points to an extension of Joseph Chamberlain's influence.

The metropolitan, which after the bye-elections, which all went in favour of the Unionists, was expected to make a clean turn-over, is displaying a remarkably slight variation in representation, although the Liberals are not obtaining the majorities that they did in 1906.

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Although the steamer came through without sustaining any damage, her passengers and crew were not so fortunate, for two of the saloon passengers and two seamen were injured during the gale.

Capt. Fairlie said it was one of the worst trips he had ever made. From the time they cleared the channel until they arrived at 47 west longitude, they were running into a heavy gale, and on one day, Sunday, January 9, they made 133 miles.

The storm was at its height Madame Trimbley, saloon passenger, was thrown to a deck and injured. On the same day a young man, also a saloon passenger, was injured by