

Interesting Agricultural Meeting.

There was a fairly representative meeting of farmers in the opera house Wednesday night to hear Hon. Mr. LaBillois and Hon. Mr. Farris discuss the new highway act, and matters of agricultural interest. On motion of F. B. Carvell, seconded by W. P. Jones, M. P. P., Mr. H. P. Baird was called to the chair.

Among the audience were the following: Ven. Archdeacon Neales, C. L. Smith, Stephen Peasody, Police Magistrate Dibblee, John Melaney, John Trombly, Arthur Smith, John Malloy, Harry Nash, Judson Briggs, Milton McBride, Charles Connell, H. R. Smith, John D. Baird, A. E. Jones, J. W. Fisher, James McManus, J. S. Merrithew, Herbert Holmes, Jarvis J. Bedell, Major W. C. Good, R. R. Dibblee, N. F. Thorne, C. D. Jordan, Richardson Morgan.

The chairman made a few observations in opening the meeting. He spoke of the interest both the visiting gentlemen had shown in the welfare of the country, and he believed that in the wheat and dairy policy the government had brought great benefit to the province. Credit is certainly due these gentlemen for the efforts they have made to advance the material interests of the country.

Mr. Baird took occasion to urge Carleton's right to a position in the government, and mentioned the excellent qualification of Mr. Jones, M. P. P., for a place in the administration.

The chairman introduced Mr. Jones M. P. P., who spoke briefly, welcoming Mr. LaBillois and Mr. Farris. This is not in any sense, he said, a political meeting, but to discuss the provisions of the new highway act, and matters relating to agricultural matters. Mr. Jones urged the necessity of providing for agricultural education and provision to that end will no doubt be made in the near future.

Respecting the new road act it was necessary to secure a fuller expenditure of effort to provide good roads.

Hon. Mr. Farris, who was given a very hearty reception, expressed his high opinion of Carleton County as an agricultural country, but he thought the farmers here are letting the fertility out of the soil and not restoring anything to it, too much hay and grain raising and not enough stock. He had been trying to further the interests of the province and was well persuaded that there is money in apple culture. To encourage this, the government had started illustration orchards. He claimed that if the same care is given to our orchards as in Nova Scotia, quite as excellent results would be reached. For the illustration orchards the government provided the trees and also direct the farmers how to cultivate the soil concerned.

Carleton has not done in dairying as it should. There has been a falling off in the volume of cheese and butter production in the county. With dairying goes pork raising, another interest that can be successfully worked up for profit.

Hon. Mr. LaBillois, who was generally applauded in rising, said his mission was to explain the provisions of the new highway act. Everybody is interested in good roads and to secure that was the object of the new law. The government had two objects in putting the new law in force, (1) to improve the roads, (2) to secure satisfactory returns from the expenditure.

Hon. Mr. LaBillois then went exhaustively into explanation of the provisions of the bill, speaking also of the lack of effort on the part of the people to perform statute labor. The conditions demanded a change to secure better results.

No more important legislation had been placed upon the statute book during the past 25 years. Under the old law, not more than forty per cent of statute labor was performed but there will be no such conditions under the new act. The road tax bill collected and expended in every parish where it is collected, the money being lodged with the county treasurers and paid out by them not a cent of it going into the provincial treasury. We claim the poor man will have a fairer show under the new law than under the old.

The speaker in detail explained the provisions of the bill, laying special stress upon the wide tire section, the abolition of the distinction between great and bye roads, and the regulation to prevent the trotting of teams over the large bridges. While the new act wiped out the bye roads, he would see to it that Carleton County received its full share of the expenditure hitherto made in this connection.

F. B. Carvell spoke briefly, expressing his pleasure at the instructive addresses to which the meeting had listened, and his satisfaction at the inauguration of the new system of managing the road business. The new act does not take any money out of the people to send to the provincial treasury at Fredericton, but goes into the various county treasuries for expenditure in the places where the money is collected. No member of the legislature voted against the principle of the bill, but any differences arose over the details. The expenditure of special grants will continue where necessary, contrary to

reports that such grants will be withdrawn, and Carleton County, as usual, will secure the amount to which it is entitled. He believed we had best road law in Canada, and it will be administered to meet the conditions which exist throughout the province. He was delighted that the government had grappled with the road question and he knew it would prove a great success. On the apple raising question he was surprised to hear a speaker at Centreville last night declare that New Brunswick was unfitted for apple culture, a statement which he certainly did not credit and could not be accepted by the people of this province.

Mr. Good was called on and spoke of the kind of apples suitable to New Brunswick, and spoke of the exhibit of winter apples at the Amherst Fair last winter from Queens County, which in every respect were superior especially the Bishop Pippins, to those of Nova Scotia.

In reply to Mr. Merrithew, Mr. LaBillois said that the road tax would be collected the same as other taxes. Next year the government would do all the work. The road taxes would be collected and the operations under the new law will be commenced the following year. So that there would always be one year's taxes in advance to carry on the work.

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Robbery at Bath.

The C. P. R. station at Bath was broken into some time about midnight on Friday night and considerable damage was done. Deputy Sheriff Foster was notified of the robbery by telephone and drove there arriving early in the morning. Soon after he arrived he arrested Peter J. Hanlon, of St. John, who has been living at Johnville for some months past.

Hanlon was arrested in the Exchange Hotel, where he was stopping and at first was very indignant. Mr. Foster paid little attention to his protests and shackled him to a bed post. Later on Hanlon told the deputy where the articles that had been stolen were hidden and he at once drove to the spot where everything was found just as Hanlon had described.

The robbery was discovered by R. H. Clark, the C. P. R. agent, between twelve and one o'clock. Mr. Clark lives near the station and before going to bed saw a light in the station. He made a close examination, but being unarmed did not enter the building till he secured assistance. Friends accompanied him to the depot and the building was surrounded. Hanlon was among the party and was one of the first to enter the building. The entire premises had been ransacked and every trunk, box and package broken into and the contents thrown about the floor.

In the freight house a quantity of oil had been spilled and it was here that the first clue to the identity of the burglar was obtained. Mr. Clark's friends were all amateurs at the business but it did not take them long to satisfy themselves that Hanlon was the party they wanted. They, however, reported this to Deputy Sheriff Foster who was at Hartland. A revolver, which one of the party borrowed from Hanlon, was later sent out to Johnville, where it was identified by the owner whose trunk was in the depot and which had been broken into. This was the final link in the chain of evidence and when the deputy sheriff finished his seventeen mile drive to bath the boys who worked up the case had Hanlon safe in the hotel and all unconscious that he was suspected.

All that was stolen beside the money was a case of gin, a jug of whiskey, two boxes of cartridges and a pair of lady's bedroom slippers and a silk belt. These goods were found under some straw underneath the freighthouse adjoining the passenger station. Hanlon was brought to Woodstock taken before the police magistrate where he pleaded guilty to a charge of theft. He has not yet been sentenced. Hanlon has a wife and three children, one of them an infant of a few months.

Increased Demand for Rubber.

The consumption of rubber has, says The Springfield Republican, greatly increased in the United States in recent years. Imports of India rubber, and gutta percha during the past 10 months have amounted to 65,000,000 pounds, while for the whole year of 1900 they were less than 50,000,000 pounds, and back 10 years ago averaged only about 35,000,000 pounds yearly. And this increase in consumption has taken place in spite of the fact that the price meantime has doubled. It

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BORN.

RICE.—At Moncton, on the 22nd instant, to the Rev. H. C. and Mrs. Rice, a daughter.

MARRIED.

MORRIS-DRAPER.—At Woodstock, July 20th, by the Rev. F. Allison Currier, M. A., Moses Morris, of Kingsclear, to Miss Lillian Draper of Southampton.

DUNCAN-SNOW.—At Woodstock, July 20th, by the Rev. F. Allison Currier, M. A., William Duncan, of Salisbury, Mass., to Miss Nellie Snow, of Woodstock.

DIED.

GARRETTY.—In Woodstock, Thursday, July 21st, Mrs. Edward Garretty, in the 87th year of her age.

used to be between 50 and 60 cents a pound. Now it is \$1.11. It is probable that the enlarged consumption is chiefly due to the growing use of rubber tires on ordinary road vehicles, and to the appearance of the automobile, whose large rubber tires draw heavily on the available supply of the article.

Confetti.

Women who can't get a vote may get a voter.

There is more soul-food in a good song than in a bad sermon.

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