LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

Emmerson and Tweedie Address a Large Audience on Wednesday Evening.

Dr. Curtis officiated as chairman of the Goverment meeting on Wednesday evening, and first called on C. L. Smith who spoke of the delegation. In a fairly reasonable manner he excused Mr. Emmerson's delay in coming to Hartland. Denounced the allegation that they were asked to meet the Opposition here. The Government party had never heard of such a thing. He did not speak to any great length but gave way to the Premier. However before concluding he said he had been told that Dibblee was the only man who had tried to get a Bridge. Fact was at the first session Dibblee never said a word about it. As for himself he (Smith) had tried his best without ceasing, and he was glad the result was as satisfactorily received.

It was Mr. Emmerson's first speech to a public meeting in Carleton Co. outside of Woodstock. In vigorous terms he repudiated the charge of the Opposition that the Government party dared not meet them. He was sure he would not fear to meet Dr. Stockton, and any one who knows the Provincial Secretary, knows, like the people of his section, he would rather fight than eat. Certainly he would not fear Hazen who knows a little of everything but Provincial politics.

"With regard to our visit to Hartland I can say it is on purely departmental business. I knew nothing of the Opposition meeting until opening day at the Provincial Exhibition. I have met Dr. Stockton time and again on the floors of the house and did not fear him. If he is a great man people will certainly find it out without his blowing his own horn."

With reference to his (Emmerson's) forming the government he said it was done not without a full knowledge of the responsibility entailed. Of their policy attention to agriculture was one of the chief planks. Over $1,500,000 is paid annually for flour imported into the province. "Is not this a severe drain?" He believed every farmer who could should grow sufficient wheat for his own use and if he could supply his neighbor whose land was not adapted so much the better. "I believe this is in the interest of the people!" (Hear! Hear!)

"Dr. Stockton said I opposed the further growing of mixed crops. It is not so. I do not expect New Brunswick to compete with the west in raising grain for market." He argued the drain on the farmers' pockets should be stopped. Through all the wheat legislation the opposition threw themselves against it, banding themselves with those of little faith. The speaker cited how at the first of the season the wheat looked so prosperous that the countenance of the opposition fell, but when the rust came, they gloated over it. "Emmerson and Tweedie did it." The quality of our wheat is unexcelled. At the St. John exhibition Senator Poirrier's flour, ground in a bonused mill, was placed side by side with No. 40. Manitoba patent, and was seen to be the best. Because of the failure in this year's wheat, the opposition has sung peons of delight. But they must adopt patriotism and pride for their province or get left.

With regard to the Moncton convention, the Premier desired to say that because the local government was not wholesouled conservative it need not be denounced. Himself he was a Liberal, bnt believed provincial and federal politics should not be complicated. Any provincial affair was paramount to those of Ottawa.

He spoke of Dibblee's overturn and of Dr. Stockton's stand in federal politics. Stockton said no longer ago than last winter that he was as much a Liberal as ever. The opposition speakers claimed the conservative had taken them up. Fact was they were as the Wandering Jew. With regard to the disputed accounts it was found that the over charge amounted to only $22.45 which in an account of $1500 didn't cut much ice Fact was Dibblee was responsible for the purchase of one road machine for $250 and three for $200 when they were bought by the government for $185 each. With regard to the steel bridge boodling charge the Premier said he patronized local manufacturers forthe purpose of encouraging home industries. New Brunswick bridges are famous all over Canada and throughout the States for their substantial character. Every dollar expended has been put to good use. He spoke of the government agriculture policy and said they were spending $25,000 by issuing new bonds to enable them to take up old ones that bore higher interest. Concluding Mr. Emmerson asked what kind of a policy had the Opposition thrown out?

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