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DRUGGISTS,

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Special mention is made of the magnificent rendering of the solo "Calgary" by Mrs William Good in the Jacksonville church Sunday eve. The congregation filled the church to overflowing and in addition to the solo by Mrs Good the choir gave an excellent programme. The Pastor Rev E C Turner delivering an able sermon on the message the Easter.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria

Miss Margaret Evans of Hampton, N.B., who was the guest of Mrs E C Turner during the Easter holidays returned to her home by the Express Tuesday evening.

It is understood that Mr F B Carvell K C will conduct the defense for Murray, one of the Italians implicated in the confession of Arosia concerning the murder of the pedlar Green.

## LOCAL LEGISLATURE.

### MR. HAZEN BOWS TO THE INEVITABLE.

#### The Highway Act Changed.

FREDERICTON, April 8.—A delegation from the York council composed of Warden Hinchey, Councillors Pond, Akerley and Timmins and Secretary-Treasurer Bliss, waited upon the government this afternoon and urged the adoption of the amendments to the highway act as suggested by the council at its January meeting. They were given assurances that the most important of their recommendations had been embodied in an amendment.

It was stated that the rate of taxation would remain at 20 cents per 100, but that the poll tax would be reduced from \$2 to \$1.50. The council will be allowed to appoint the chairman of the board and a member to be appointed by the government will act as secretary. Authority will be given the board to appoint commissioners for sub-districts.

As it was generally known that the Easter vacation would commence today several of the members who live at a long distance from the capital left by the morning trains to spend the next few days at their homes. The result was that none of the committees, with the exception of that on corporations, met to day, and the business before that committee was not of an important or contentious character.

#### A LIVELY DISCUSSION.

Most of the time of the house was taken up discussing supply. There was quite a lively breeze over the insurance on the Provincial Hospital. This is paid out of the miscellaneous expenses of the board of works and the item was doubled this year. Mr Copp ventured the opinion that their government might reasonably take the risk of becoming its own insurer. While discussing this matter he was called to order by the deputy speaker, who was in the chair, and there was quite an interesting crossfire for a few minutes between the chair-man and Mr Copp, the former finally ruling that Mr Copp was out of order, a decision from which Mr Copp appealed. Before the speaker could be called in to decide the point Hon Mr Hazen suggested that there was no necessity for this course and Mr Copp continued his remarks which it may be stated were entirely in order.

Mr Fleming replied to Mr Copp with a great deal of heat and charged the old government, of which Mr Copp was a supporter, with neglect in not properly looking after the insurance on the asylum buildings.

Both Mr Copp and Mr Robinson pointed out that while the old government might have been neglectful in this particular the present administration had ample time to look into the insurance after they came into office and should have done so. Their failure to acquaint themselves with the actual conditions compelled to share them the responsibility.

Mr Sweeney went a little further and in calling attention to the ruling of the chair pointed out that the provincial secretary had not been called to order when he went far afield to attack the old government. "All the opposition asks," said Mr Sweeney, "is fair play and our rights respected. Those we intend to have." This closed the incident.

The estimates were all passed before 6 o'clock but Mr Hazen gave an intimation that there would be supplementary estimates.

#### HIGHWAY ACT BACKDOWN.

The surrender of the government on the highway bill is the talk of the house. Last year the government would give nothing. They were determined to pass the highway act just as it was. Many of their supporters objected but the objections had no weight with Mr Hazen. He had promised a highway act and the one he had framed was the best ever must go through. It is true that he had wavered in this opinion before the house adjourned notwithstanding his oft repeated statement that the act was being endorsed by people of all sections of the province who are sending him congratulatory letters and telegrams. However, he never had the courage to put the act in operation now and it is doubtful if he would do so now but for the strong pressure brought by supporters for patronage, for he it known the new highway act makes provision for a great many new offices and Mr Hazen's followers have displayed great activity in getting in the direction of office. The changes were finally decided on in caucus last night. The government is to appoint the secretary instead of the

chairmen of the highway boards, as provided in the original act. The property taxation rate will remain twenty cents, but the poll tax will be reduced from \$2 to \$1.50.

There never was a more complete surrender of any government. It was contended that good roads could not be provided if the taxes were lowered. Now in spite of this statement they have lowered the rate and it must therefore be assumed that instead of the good roads promised the people will have to be content with poor roads.

#### HOUSE IN SUPPLY.

The house went into supply, Mr Sproul in the chair.

On the item of \$190,000 for roads and bridges Mr Burchill said he desired to call attention to the necessity of lighting some of the covered bridges. There should be no difficulty in lighting the bridge he had in mind, because the electric light wires of the town of Chatham reached it. He thought it was rather a short-sighted policy that the proposals of the municipal council were not accepted and some plan devised for lighting this long dark bridge.

Hon Mr Morrissey said there was a proposal brought before the house last session in connection with lighting the Fredericton highway bridge and unfortunately report had got about the country that the government intended to light it; consequently he had received many demands for similar treatment from other districts. As it was there was hardly enough money to get round, and if they light the bridge there would be still less.

On the item of \$12,000 for steam navigation Mr Byrne asked if it was the intention of the government to continue the subsidy to the Gloucester Navigation Company, which was performing a necessary and important service and giving satisfaction.

Hon Mr Morrissey said a subsidy was given last year and would be given again this. The policy of the government was to give these subsidies in all cases where an adequate service was being rendered. There had been many complaints from the public in respect to many of the steam boat services.

Hon Mr Fleming said that the government would be guided by the amount of companies earnings. A company paying its way was not entitled to assistance and in future companies applying for a subsidy would be refused if they decline to furnish the government with statements of their business.

Re \$5,000 for wharves, Mr Robinson enquired if the government had ascertained if the Dominion would take over the responsibilities of wharves.

Mr Morrissey said the Dominion authorities did not feel like doing it, though he thought that they should. The dominion, however, were willing to pay half cost when the province paid half.

Mr Copp asked if any surveys had been made of the wharves for which appropriation was asked, and Mr Morrissey replied that the amount was chiefly for repairs.

Mr Robinson enquired if the dominion had built any wharves on the St John river, as he understood they had promised to do so.

Hon Mr Hazen said they had built several wharves.

#### ASYLUM INSURANCE.

On the item of \$6,000 as miscellaneous, Hon Mr Fleming, in reply to an enquiry said the amount was largely for insurance. The government had thought it necessary to considerably increase the amount of insurance on various public buildings which had necessarily added to the cost of premiums.

Mr Copp did not approve of heavy insurance. The dominion government did not carry any. The object was to find business for the friends of the government rather than protect the buildings, and he considered the large amount now being paid in premiums unnecessary. Mr Copp was proceeding to discuss the government's policy when he was called to order.

Mr Hatheway was surprised to hear anyone say that it was unwise to insure buildings to their full value. The value of insurance was recognized by every business man.

Hon Mr Fleming said the premises were not insured to their full value, but only approximately. The government was bound to provide reasonable protection. The late government by their negligence had lost the province \$14,000 insurance

over the fire at the Provincial Hospital. If a big fire were to occur in any of the provincial buildings the government would have to face a very serious expenditure if proper insurance was not carried.

Mr Copp said there was no occasion for heat on the part of honorable gentlemen and he considered he had been treated unfairly when he was stopped in reasonably criticising the government's policy. The government did not discover that the property was underinsured until the conflagration took place and had they been alive to their duties as they contended the late government should have been they would have ascertained the conditions of the insurance earlier.

Mr Munro said he would like to see better fire protection for the hospital.

Hon Mr Hazen said the matter had been under consideration. In some public buildings sprinklers and other appliances had been installed, but to install them in the hospital would entail a large expenditure.

Mr Robinson said there was more in the argument of Mr Copp than appeared at first sight. The old government had been blamed for not paying more attention to the amount of insurance carried and he was prepared to admit that they were to blame to some extent, but he thought the present government should have made themselves acquainted with the conditions as soon as they came into power and were as much to blame as their predecessors.

#### PUBLIC DOMAIN.

On the item of \$8,000 for surveys, Mr Sweeney said he thought the time had now arrived when there should be a re-survey of the crown lands of the province. Such resurvey would result, he believed in the discovery that the area of these lands was much larger than was thought. The old surveys were made under conditions which rendered them very unreliable. The old surveyors were not particular sometimes whether they got within ten, twenty or fifty per cent of the correct figures. He considered a resurvey to be a wise move.

Mr Copp said the crown lands were the most important asset the province had. It was said by some that their lumber supply was inexhaustible. He could not believe this and there could be no question that when these limits were depleted of their lumber the province would be in a bad state financially. He did not believe the lumber grew as fast as it was cut and land that had been cut over could be cut over again in ten years. Such a statement was entirely wrong. Even in twenty years it could not be done and the government should take hold of the question of conserving the forest at once. The late government had passed the domain act, a valuable measure, and had erred in not providing for a resurvey. Every year the lumbermen had to go great distances to get lumber. The question was one which should not be trifled with and in spite of the increase of territorial revenue some steps should immediately be taken to conserve lumber. The present leader of the government put a plank in his platform that would appeal to every one as being of the utmost importance, namely, the proper conservation of the public domain, and he trusted the government would take immediate steps to carry out their promises in that direction.

#### Letters to the Editor.

The Editor of the SENTINEL does not assume responsibility for any statements made in the letters of correspondents.

#### To the Editor of the Sentinel:—

I thought you would like to publish a copy of a letter I sent the man I bought my land from. All the folks in the East ought to know what kind of a country this is so I am sending you a copy of a letter I sent the man who sold me my land. I know some other folks in the East are thinking of moving here so they can get the same kind of land I have, please print this letter so they can tell where to get the land.

Yours truly,

I W A S GREEN.

Whatasham Valley, B C,

February 31st, 1909

REV F A KER,

OTNABOG, Q Co.

DEAR SIR,—I want to tell you how quick I got rich in this fine country. As you know it is just a year since I bought my fifteen acres of land from you for my fruit farm. I paid you \$1,000 for land which probably cost you chaps \$25. I thought at the time you was getting a little too much profit on it, but I don't think so now. I took along with me two thousand apple trees which I set out the first day of May. I call that a pretty

good day's work for one man, but the climate here is so fine there is hardly any limit to the amount of work a man can do. Perhaps some people will hardly believe what I am now going to say but it is as true as anything you ever told about this fine country. Just thirty days after I planted them trees I measured them and found every tree had grown from six to eight feet, and everyone of them was in blossom. In October I picked just three thousand barrels of apples off them trees, and I sold them at \$5 a barrel. Besides that I grow on the same land fifty thousand boxes of strawberries on which I had a net profit of \$5,000. Some of these berries were twelve inches in diameter and of course had to be cut up in order to get them in the boxes. The apples were all of the Grimes Golden variety, and were about the size of turnips such as you will see at the St John exhibitions. The Whatasham Valley is as you know the only place in B C where fruit will grow so we are sure of a good market as B C will have a population of twenty million by this time next year.

At present we have to haul two hundred miles to the nearest R Rd station so can only make one turn a day unless you have an extra good pair of horses. You certainly deserve the thanks of the people of the Maritime Provinces for having discovered this the most wonderful spot in all creation, and thus giving them the chance (on payment of a few thousand dollars to you) to make their escape from such a god-forsaken country as New Brunswick. By gosh tell everybody to sell out and come here.

Yours truly,

I W A S GREEN.

#### GEORGIA LETTER.

DEAR SENTINEL,—This is April 6th, 1909. The thermometer at 80, weather clear, wind south; a regular spell of March wind, quite different in temperature to what it was at this date when I was a boy living in Rosedale, on my fathers farm. One bright morning the 6th of April, the snow about knee deep, I shouldered my axe and taking iron and spiles in hand and away I went to the sugar woods, tapped 60 trees, made some sugar, and in the fall took it to Woodstock to that same old court-house at Hardscrabble, to the fair, and took the first prize of two dollars, which was soon in my pocket. Well you may stretch your imaginations to the greatest tension and then fail to grasp the pleasure I felt, and how rich I was in my boyish imagination; for money in those days was cash to me.

Well someone seems to have noticed in my last letter my reference to the way Sherman treated me on his march to the sea; for a few days ago I received a bundle of papers called The Sun, St John, and on these papers was the usual little yellow tag on which was printed D M Gaffigan, 21st June, 08, and on the margin was written with pencil, from one of Sherman's bummers. On seeing this I began to think may be I am about to get on the track of the bum that got my jack-knife and boots; for they were taken by Sherman's bums, now, Mr McGaffigan if you are the man I can describe the stolen property to you: boots, calfskin \$10 bought in Woodstock. The knife had a metal handle with the Eagle stars and bars on it, a real yankee knife. Now to refresh your memory of this little transaction, I will tell you just where it happened. I was about six miles south east of Louisville, Ga on the south side of the Ogechee river, at a white farm house. As I stood on the ground close to the front steps of the dwelling two bums came up and sat on the steps and asked if I had a knife, he wanted to clean his nails, so I like a simpleton said yes, and handed it to him. He asked where I got that knife and I told him, and as he hesitated a moment, his companion stepped up and said if you want the knife take it along, so off they went and my knife too, now, Mr McGaffigan, do you remember anything about this place or transaction; if you do I would love to hear from you; but I don't expect that I shall ever wear those boots again or use that knife all of this happened in much less time than it takes to write it.

It does look now like you will get a new courthouse, in spite of yourselves; and let all pray that you will get the valley railroad also. In your last I note the ice was still standing; but if you had a few days of Ga weather it would soon go seaward. Hon Geo W Upham seems a coming man in your political struggle I admire his style of speech in the assembly. His picture does not represent the Geo Upham I used to know, but he may be his son. But that matters but little, so long as he is on the right side of the fence.

ET MALLORY.