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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE EDITOR OF THE GLOBE.

The St. John Globe this week has issued an illustrated supplement in commemoration of having attained its fiftieth year of continuous existence under the Editorship of Hon. John V. Ellis. During all that time the Globe has been an active up-to-date newspaper in every sense of the word. It has taken an active interest in political and business matters, and probably has done more to mould public opinion in this Province than any other paper.

We heartily congratulate the Globe and Mr. Ellis, and trust he may long live to enjoy the honored position he now occupies.

MR. BORDEN'S SURRENDER  
ON THE SPOILS SYSTEM

Speaking at Halifax in August, 1907, when he formulated his platform, Mr. R. L. Borden, dealing with

the public service, said:

"A Government holds the power of patronage for the benefit of the public, and it is entitled to fill public offices solely in the public interest. The duties of those officials are for the public benefit and are fixed by the laws of the country; their salaries are paid out of the people's money. To use the power of filling such positions as a reward for party service and without regard to the character and capacity of the individual selected is a gross breach of a solemn public trust. A private trustee so dishonoring his office would be subject to punishment by the criminal law, but the one punishment which can be meted out for such abuse of a public trust is dismissal by the electorate."

That was four years ago, before Mr. Borden had any hopes of attaining the height of his ambition, as he did on September 21 last. But what does the country see to-day? Why, a practically wholesale dismissal of public officials the country over in every department of the Government. Every Dominion lands agent in the west, with the exception of one, who is a relic of the former Conservative Administration, has been dismissed; all, or nearly all, the homestead inspectors have been given their walking tickets; men and women who have been doing good work in the furtherance of the old age annuities scheme, have been given notice; minor officials of the Marine and Railways and Canals Departments have been made the victims of the political guillotine; and so thorough-out the whole administration.

In every case where the offices have been filled, a good Conservative has been placed "as a reward for party service and without regard to the character and capacity of the individual selected." Surely, Mr. Borden cannot be aware of this flagrant vio-

lation of his platform by his colleagues. Yet it is difficult to imagine that he can be wholly ignorant of what is going on, if he knows of it, what is he doing to prevent the "gross breach of a solemn public trust."

We wonder whether he remembers the sentiments which he expressed upon this subject of the dismissal of public servants in the very first speech which he made in the House of Commons after his entry thereto in 1896. After having urged that a civil servant had the same right as any other citizen to participate in political contests, so long as he did not neglect his duty, the Premier said:

"If the question of an official's politics is to be considered when the new Government makes up its mind whether or not it will dismiss him from office, or if a Government ventures to deal with these questions from the standpoint only of an official's political opinions, or if an official has given expression, even on the public platform, to his views on any public question—if these things are to control in determining whether or not a man is to remain in the service, we shall have approached very closely to the American spoils system, which I for one hope will never be introduced into Canada."

How does this apply to the wholesale dismissals which have been made throughout the country on the ground that the victims have been guilty of offensive partisanship?

But there is another important point in connection with this same matter. In that debate in 1896, Hon. Geo. E. Foster, who is now a member of the Government, which is dismissing public officials all over the land, took the position—a position which was accepted and very largely lived up to—that "if there is a charge against any official for neglect

of duty for offensive partisan conduct, or unbecomingly and ungentlemanly action, that charge should be laid before him as an accusation, he should be allowed to answer, and an investigation should be carried out, and it should be dependent upon that investigation whether punishment is meted out to him or not."

To how many of these men decapitated by the Minister of the Interior, by the Minister of Railways, by the Ministers of Customs, and other ministers, has this principle been allowed to apply? It would be interesting to know, and the present Opposition, now that tables are turned, should make it their business to find out.—Ottawa Free Press.

## THE POWER CONTRACT

REPORT OF ARBITRATION ACCEPTED—AN ALL-NIGHT LIGHT SERVICE—GETTING READY FOR BETTER STREETS.

Town Council was held on Friday night. Chiefly routine business was transacted. The town made arrangements to secure the old Davis property for the roller and crusher and the rock will be hauled at once for work in early spring on permanent streets. The award of the arbitrators in connection with the dispute between the Power Company and the town was accepted and a five years renewal contract will be made by the solicitor and executed at once by the mayor and town clerk.

Mayor Ketchum presided and Couns. Gallagher, Mair, Bailey, Jones and Dibblee were present.

Treasurer Bourne reported that the receipts for the month of November were \$3650.45, expenditures \$2363.17, credit balance at Bank of Montreal on Nov. 30th, \$1328.92.

Voted that the report be referred to the finance committee.

Moved by Couns. Mair and Dibblee and passed that a vote of thanks be given to the warden and municipal council for the use of the Court House during the arbitration proceedings between the Power Company and the Town.

Moved Couns. Gallagher and Mair and passed that the returning officers and constable be paid for holding the municipal election for the town's representatives.

Mayor Ketchum said that great progress was being made in the collection of taxes, particularly among the defaulters lists in the hands of Chas. Comben. There are a number of bills yet to be paid and some sharp collection will have to be made to come out square at the end of the year.

Coun. Gallagher, for street committee, said that he and Coun. Dibblee had made arrangements with Mrs. Jamieson for the use of the Davis lot upon which the roller and crusher will be placed during the work for permanent streets. The town will pay her \$50 a year and exempt her of the taxes on an assessment of \$800. She is prepared to lease to the town the land at once. He had had the offer of a lot of rock from Mr. Nevers at the upper end of town, which the town team, with Mr. Horton in charge, would haul to the Davis lot. They were only paying 25 cents a ton for rock in Houlton, and that price would rule Woodstock at the start. During the dull times many of the local teams would haul rock at that figure.

Moved by Couns. Dibblee and Mair and passed that the solicitor prepare a lease with Mrs. Jamieson, and that the street committee be authorized to enter into contract with any parties wishing to haul rock for permanent streets.

Coun. Bailey stated that the team from the poor farm would haul rock from the farm under the same condition as other parties. He was not in favor of making heavy contracts for rock as the present council had only a few more weeks to live.


Coun. Mair explained the report of the arbitration in the matter of power for the town for the next five years.

Coun. Jones thought that a resolution accepting the award should be passed by the board.

Coun. Dibblee said that among the recommendations of the arbitrators was that an all-night light service should be put into operation. He wrote to F. B. Carvell, M. P., on the question. That gentleman replied that if the town would put up new poles and newly wire the whole circuit, the company would give an all-night service as the only extra cost to them would be some \$25 a year more for carbons.


Voted that the matter be referred to the water and light committees for consultation with the company and report to Council.

Moved by Couns. Jones and Mair and passed that the council accept the award of the arbitration in con-



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nection with the contract for power, that the solicitor be instructed to prepare a new contract along the lines set out by arbitrators, and that the Mayor and clerk execute at once the new contract for the term of five years.

Postponement of  
Richeson Trial Asked

Boston, Dec 11—An effort was made today by the attorneys for Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, charged with the murder of Miss Avis Linnell, to have the trial postponed from January 15, the date fixed by the court, until later in the winter, and on Wednesday next Judge Anderson of the Superior Court will hear arguments on the question.

The lawyers who are now recognized as counsel for the accused clergyman are former State Senator Wm. A. Morse and Philip R. Dunbar, both of this city, and John L. Lee of Lynchburg, Va. These three held an hour's conference with Chief Justice Aiken of the Superior Court, the result of which was kept secret.

Then the lawyers went over to the District Attorney's office, where they were closeted for two hours with Mr. Pelletier, who is expected to take charge of the Government's case against Richeson. At the conclusion of the second conference it was stated that an agreement had been reached to submit the question to Judge Anderson, who is sitting on the criminal side of the court on Wednesday forenoon.

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## Canada's Revenue Continues Buoyant

Ottawa, Dec 9—The Dominion financial statement for November issued today, gives indication of prosperity and buoyant revenues.

During November the consolidated revenue was \$11,595,570 as against \$10,061,060 in November 1910. In the eight months of the fiscal year, the aggregate revenue was \$87,888,848 compared with \$75,875,446 in the corresponding period, an increase of over twelve millions. The expenditure during the month on consolidated account was \$7,485,650 and for the eight months \$47,784,009 a very slight increase over the same period of last year.

On capital accounts \$15,835,194 has been spent in the eight months, almost exclusively on railways and public works.

The total net debt at the end of the month was \$315,436,632 a decrease since October of \$535,356 and during the eight months of \$3,157,291.

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Bath Robe, House Coat, Overcoat, Fancy Vest, Pants, Shirts, Collars, Cuffs, Gloves, Neckwear, Hosiery, Mufflers, Underwear, Armlets, Garters, Suits, Suit Cases, Umbrellas, Pyjamas, Etc.

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Best Seeded Raisins 10c, 3 pkgs 33c	Best New Citron per lb 19c
Fancy New Figs 12c lb, 2 lbs 22c	Best Orange Peel per lb 15c
Best New Dates 9c, 3 lbs 25c	Best Lemon Peel per lb 15c

## Choice Christmas Confectionery

Good Xmas Ribbon Mixture	10c lb
Best Xmas Ribbon Mixture	12c lb
Best Hand Made Barley Toys	17c lb, 2 lbs 30c
Choice Mixed Candy 9c lb,	3 lbs 25c
Fine Fresh Cream Candy 13c,	2 lbs 25c
Best Cream Mixture 17c,	2 lbs 30c
Enlaid Chocolates, regular 40c goods	Our price 25c lb
Regal Chocolates, regular 50c and 60c goods,	35c lb
Best Chocolate Drops 17c	2 lbs 30c
Good Valencia Oranges per doz 10c	Seedless Nevada " 20, 25, 30 & 40c
Sweet Jamais per doz 18 and 20c	Pine Apples 15c, 2 for 25c
Sweet Floridas per doz 20, 25 & 30c	Grape Fruit 9c, 3 for 25c
Tangerines per doz 20 and 25c	Best Lemons per doz 20c

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Only 17c lb, 2 lbs 30c  
French Roasted Peanuts 10c qt, 18c lb

## Fancy Fresh Fruit

At this early date it is impossible for us to quote prices on our Xmas Fruits accurately, as the bulk of our Xmas Fruits will not be in stock before Dec 15th, but we can assure you that our prices will be very low and the variety very large. The following are our probable prices of these goods on arrival.

Fine Large Juicy Oranges	25 cents peck
Malaga Grapes, finest quality,	14c lb, 3 lbs 40c
Butter Cups per lb 28c	Oriental Jellies per lb 22c
Satinette per lb 22c	Cough Drops per lb 28c
Maple Mixture per lb 22c	Gum Drops per lb 9c 3 lbs 25c

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