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Perfectly qualified, because of intimate knowledge of both the farming and lumbering industry of the county, Mr. Carvell has answered with indisputable argument all the statements made against reciprocity.

The Premier of Canada, who for sixteen years has guided the affairs of this great country has in the trade agreement consummated the desire of those who years ago rallied to his support. Free trade in natural products is the desire of this great country.

With hay selling at from four to five dollars a ton, and in many cases, a ten mile haul in addition it would look as though it would pay the farmer to keep some cattle. Especially with beef selling at ten cents wholesale and an equally good price for pork. Hauling hay to the market for four dollars and hauling fertilizer to the farm at \$12.00 per ton hardly looks like a good business proposition.

In Montreal the other day the Police Magistrate sentenced a drunkard to jail for four months and under a section of the law ordered that pay for his services be given his destitute wife and children. The section under which the man was sentenced read as follows: "But if an offender who is condemned to imprisonment for any offence has a wife or a wife and children dependent on him for their livelihood, the wage earned by such person shall be paid by the sheriff to the wife and children, as the case may be. We have a number of loafers and 'spongers' in Woodstock to whom a sentence like the above could be given with a great deal of satisfaction.

BIBLES AT LOWEST PRICES.
The Canadian Branch of the Bible Society have a number of Bibles on hand which they propose to sell at lowest prices. For twelve and fifteen cents one can get a good well bound copy of the Bible. This is an opportunity for churches and Sunday schools to stock up at a very low cost. Address the Rev. Dr. Campbell, St. John, N. B.

Brigadier Adley of St. John, will conduct a very special Meeting at the Army Citadel this Monday Evening, March 13th., to which we cordially invite everybody.

Mr. Howard Burrill who has been in poor health for some weeks, is now able to be about again.

H. E. Walker, Mayor of P. Newville, La., was shot and killed on Monday, following a row about litigation in the district court.

THE LOCAL LEGISLATURE.

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Another damaging point made against the government was made when Mr. Copp drew attention to the fact that in the fiscal year 1909 \$140,000 was spent by the Public Works Department alone without calling for a single tender. This is but one year's record in one department under the Hazen government which in its pre-election platform of 1907 made of its chief planks a declaration that all public works be put up to tender. The Public Works Department in 1909 gives a striking instance of how Premier Hazen inspects the governmental pledges.

Even supporters of the government as the Opposition men in the House, are astounded at the report of the Central Railway Commissioners for the year 1910. The Commissioners' own report as submitted to the Legislature shows that in 1910 the road was operated in such a way as to result in a deficit of the enormous sum of \$7,000.

When in opposition Mr. Hazen and his colleagues were wont to cry out that the Central was a sink hole for public money. If their designation was correct it may be said for them that they are apparently doing their best now-a-days to fill up the sink-hole. Over \$16,000 ought to fill quite a hole.

It is very interesting to note a comparison between the record of the self-styled economical Hazen ministry in respect to the Central and the record of the former ministry in respect to the same road. As Mr. Copp, of Westmorland, well showed in the House the other evening in 1906, under Liberal rule, the road showed a surplus. In 1907, under Liberal rule, the road showed a deficit, a deficit of less than \$100. In 1908, under Hazen rule, the road showed a deficit, not a deficit of less than a hundred dollars, not a deficit of less than a thousand dollars, a deficit of no less than \$2,065. In 1909, under Hazen rule, the road showed a deficit of not merely \$2,000 but a deficit of three times that amount or, to be exact, of \$6,602. Last year the tripling process was not carried out in full. The deficit in 1910 was not \$57 as under the former ministry but the startling sum of \$16,426!

Well may members of the House stand aghast as such a record. The former government, which Mr. Hazen and his friends charged with incompetence and graft in connection with Central affairs, showed a deficit of \$57. The honest, competent Hazen ministry produced first a deficit of \$2,065; next a deficit of \$6,602; and now it breaks all records with a deficit of nearly \$17,000. It is no wonder that the people are rapidly losing confidence in Mr. Hazen.

HARTLAND NEWS.

BY JEREMIAH.

To those Concerned:—It is proposed to make this column, under the above heading, a regular feature in the Sentinel. Up river news coming through proper sources will be gladly received for this department.

Hartland, the busiest town in the county at all times, teems daily with moving hay, grain, potatoes, bark and lumber, coming in from the rich agricultural sections stretching east and west from this shipping centre.

That flourishing mercantile concern founded several years ago by Hagerman & Baird, and later known as Baird & Craig, now under the sole control of A. L. Baird, is finely located in the new "Hagerman Cement Block" facing the bridge. Business at the "Daylight Store" is exceptionally good, due mainly to the live policy of the manager and the liberal advertising.

A Fine & Co. have arrived and are conducting a cheap sale in the Taylor-Watson building. Abe Pine conducted a similar business here several years ago.

The new Hagerman Block above mentioned is a valuable addition to the town and stands in one of the most sightly and accessible locations to be had. The building is constructed of cement blocks manufactured by The Hartland Cement Block Co., a local concern that succeeded in placing its goods on the market late in the season last year. Two buildings in this town, the above and the "Ober Block" are proudly pointed to by those interested in this pioneer industry as substantial examples of this particular class of material, that is surely coming to be looked on with much favor by builders all over the country. The cement plant is well established now and the company is in a position to turn out any amount of work after the opening of the building season.

At last the long deferred but very necessary repairs are being made on the Hartland Bridge piers. And none too soon either as the jamming ice and logs long ago had torn away the planking on the western pier and carried away considerable of the rock fillings. The bridge certainly has been a menace to public safety and the hundreds who travel it, will breathe easier in the assurance that the structure has been thoroughly overhauled for during the entire life of the present government the bridge has been unsafe, this applies more particularly to the superstructure than to the piers. In the season of 1907 orders were issued, to the parties who had regularly looked after the work, to put on a crew and tighten and re-adjust the rods and braces in the bridge, but for good and sufficient reasons, the work was deferred 'til next season. The next season like "to-morrow" never came to the Robinson Government, and up to the present time all that has ever been done is a little periodical patching and new flooring and this only after the old floor was worn "Threadbare." Now the bridge has stood during the life of the present Government without any support from the rods practically speaking. The strain rods on the shore spans are taking "no strain" while those in the river spans are under excessive strain. The lateral rods are loose, consequently the lateral braces are taking no strain, in fact some have fallen, and others are "hay-wired" to prevent them falling on some unlucky head. So notorious has the dilapidated condition of this thoroughfare become that parties have been known to enquire if one would be in danger from a falling brace while driving over it. But there what's the use, one man, a well known supporter of the present party in power, when the condition of this bridge was referred to, made the boast that he told people wherever he went that practical authority allowed that such a structure was more substantial and had greater resisting and carrying power when the rods were kept loose. Such equivocation may have served to pull that man out of a nasty hole, but when the Hon. Prov. Sec'y. is confronted with the fact that this work is actually being done by days work, what will his excuse be. Can a man who has preached the doctrine of "all public works by tender" up and down this land for twenty years face the good honest intelligent man who turned their backs on party affiliations and life long prejudices and elected him and those around him to administrative power so that such principles as these and others might be carried out and fully demonstrated. Was J. K. Flemming wrong all those years in hounding each successive Liberal administration for violating the "tender" policy when occasion seemed to justify it? If wrong on that was he not all wrong, and finding himself mistaken in judgment, if conscientious in his accusations, assertions and promises while in opposition. Should he not now being in power and finding himself unable to live up to his former ideals come back and deliver up the mandate given to him by an honest but at the present time a sadly disillusioned electorate.

C. J. Smalley, who has the contract to build the new Post Office building, is in town this week looking after the first car-load of brick to arrive. This work will add considerably to the general life and business of the community during the coming season. At present a public meeting is being agitated by the townspeople to consider ways and means to acquire the Tracy lot, adjacent to the Post Office lot, in order that a drive-way can be made around the building. The general proposition is to raise the necessary fund by popular subscription.

A considerable number around town and from out-lying districts were disappointed at the non-appearance of N. W. Brown who was advertised to speak in Burrill's Hall on Tuesday night on the subject of "Annuities," for which he is official demonstrator for New Brunswick. Many are interested in this pension scheme and no doubt it will be possible for the gentleman to meet those interested in Hartland at a future time.

GOVERNMENT ANNUITIES.

Mr. J. Nelson Brown the eloquent and capable lecturer for the system of Government Annuities delivered his lecture upon this subject in the Hayden-Gibson Theatre Monday evening before a large and representative audience. His Worship Mayor Ketchum was in the chair. In calling the meeting to order His Worship expressed his pleasure in finding it as one of his first official duties, to open a meeting of this kind and officiate at a gathering the result of which would be of lasting benefit to the people.

Mr. Brown who is in perfect touch with his theme then outlined the different schemes and showed that by a very small annual deposit, a deposit weekly, monthly or quarterly, as it may be convenient, one can have a comfortable annuity in old age.

Great interest is being taken in the subject and everywhere throughout the county the people are looking into this scheme.

Miss Mary Moneriff, a Scottish spinster, elderly and not good looking, was attending a dinner party at Perth, at which the late Thomas Duncanson, a government official, was a guest. He was in expansive humor and said: "Now, Miss Mary, I'll give you a toast—'Honest men and bonnie lasses.'" "I can drink that without any compunction," replied Miss Moneriff, "for it applies to neither you nor me."

Robert King, superintendent of this division of the C. P. R. has been transferred to Toronto and left for that place on Monday. Mrs. King and Miss Elsie King will leave in about two weeks. Mr. King will be succeeded here by Mr. Farnshaw of Toronto.

TOWN COUNCIL.

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Council was held Monday evening. His Worship Mayor Ketchum presiding; present Couns Dibblee, Mair, Gibson and Gallagher. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Coun Mair read report of Town Treasurer who through illness was unable to be present. On motion the report was referred to finance and audit committee. Coun Dibblee, chairman of special committee re C. P. R. freight rates reported that he had made inquiries among different shippers in the county and found that in several cases the C. P. R. was discriminating against Woodstock in the matter of rates. He quoted as one case, Mr. J. B. Adams, lumber merchant, of Muniac, who told him that the rate he paid on lumber by the carload was 8c per 100 to Woodstock, 6c per 100 to St. John for export, and 8c to St. John for home consumption, until recently he had a rate of 3½ cts to St. Marys. Coun Dibblee thought steps should be taken to remedy this matter as it was very unfair to Woodstock.

Coun Mair reported that his committee had made a thorough investigation into the recent accident at the pumping station and found that the accident had been caused by the neglect of the engineer. The cost to the town was about \$75 and it was not fair to call on the rate payers to pay for the neglect of a town official. He moved that the amount be deducted from the engineers salary in four monthly instalments of \$18.75 each, and that hereafter, every town official be obliged to make good any amount caused by his neglect. Carried.

Coun Mair reported that each of the three banks in town had stated their willingness to tender for Town Accounts for the year and moved seconded by Coun Dibblee that each of the banks be asked to tender for the Town Accounts for one year. Carried.

Mr. Colpitts, Scott Act Inspector was heard before the board. He reported 20 searches and 8 seizures during the year. He had seized in one lot 9 barrels of bottled goods and from that down to a few bottles in other places. The value of the liquor seized would probably be between \$1,200 and \$1,500. He was handicapped in that he could not seize liquor after sunset and most of the liquor came on the late train and although he might have an officer on the watch he could do nothing until next morning when the liquor would be out of reach. The worst offenders were pocket peddlars whom he found hard to apprehend. They resort to all manner of devices and it was hard to get a case against them. He thought in future when he got a case against a man he would push it right through to the end and not have them hanging on from week to week.

Mr. Colpitts was asked to make an itemized account of receipts and expenditure from Jan 1st, 1911, up to the present time, and present it Friday evening.

On motion of Coun Dibblee seconded by Coun Gibson a batch of bills were referred to finance and audit committee.

On motion of Coun Dibblee seconded by Coun Gallagher the month's salary of town officials were ordered paid.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the overdraft was now about \$5000 and collections were coming in slowly. They would soon have to draw the time unless, taxes and water rates were collected in sufficient quantity to swell the bank account. They still had four months to finance before this years taxes came in, and he would like to see all arrears paid up in that time.

On motion of Coun Mair seconded by Coun Gibson the superintendent of water works was instructed to shut off on May 1st all water that had not been paid to November 1910, and to so notify consumers.

On motion of Coun Dibblee seconded by Coun Mair the water committee were instructed to ask for tenders for wood for pumping station.

The Mayor read letters from Col Turner, of the Salvation Army, asking for a grant for the S. A. Rescue Home in St. John. Also from Supt King regarding trains stopping at Queen Street Station. On motion Col Turner's application was referred to finance and audit committee.

An application from the Woodstock Band for annual grant was received and referred to finance committee.

On motion of Coun Dibblee the council adjourned until Friday night.

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