

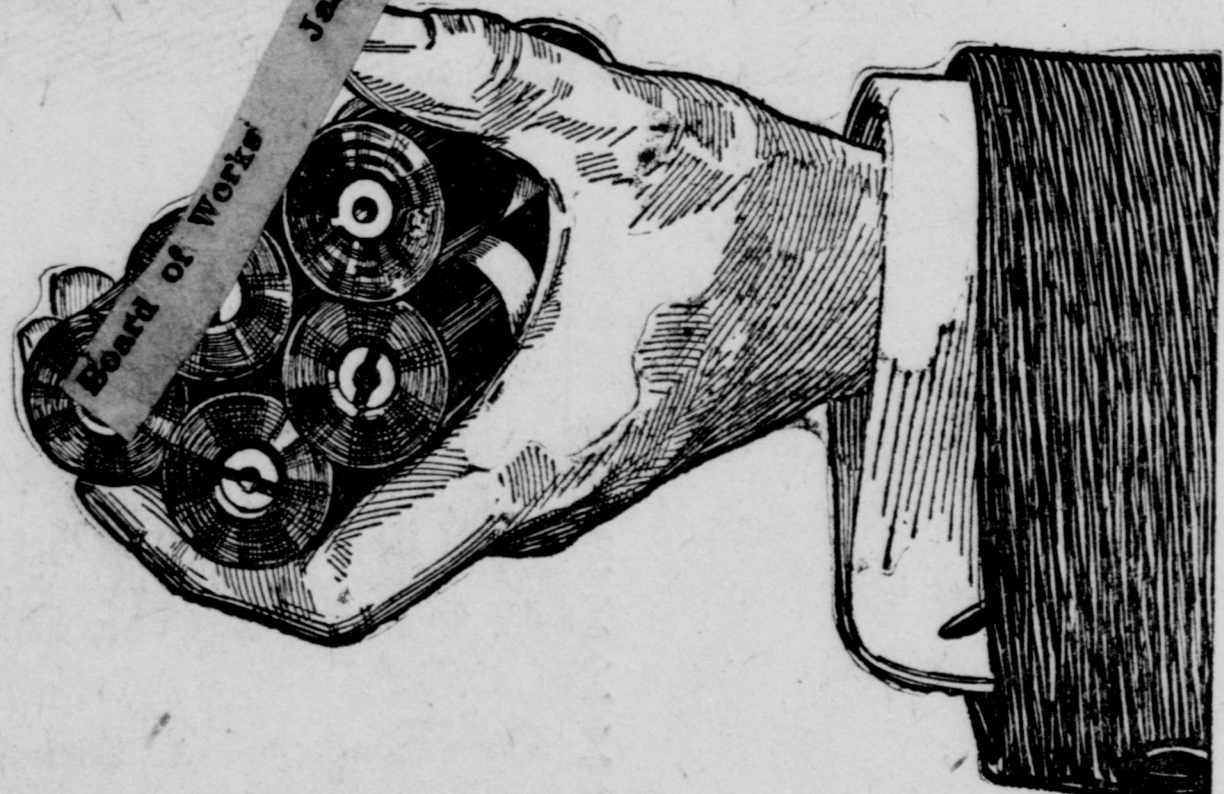
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Special Auditor Makes Startling Report On Methods Of Farm Settlement Board

Gross Dishonesty on All Sides

Mr T V Williams special auditor has made some revelations concerning the Farm Settlement Board that is further proof of the rottenness of the late provincial government. Twenty eight farms were bought and immediately re-sold to same parties, or

relatives. As usual Carleton County politicians are prominent in several questionable transactions. The list of sales which tells the story will be published next week.

George Haley a prisoner in the county jail was so ill Sunday night that a physician was summoned to attend him. He is in bad shape and will likely be released on bail. The retreat for the priests of the Diocese of St. John to be held at St. Joseph's University, St. Joseph, N. B. will begin on Monday, July 9, and finish on Saturday, July 14.

The wedding of John McFarlane, Aberdeen, Carleton County, to Miss Sarah Hartt, daughter of the late Edward Hartt, of St. John, was solemnized Wednesday evening 6th inst, in St. Luke's church St. John, by Rev R H McKim. Mr and Mrs McFarland left Thursday morning for their future home in Aberdeen.

At the closing of the Provincial Normal School Miss Lydia Gibson, of Bath, won the bronze medal for the highest standing in Class B.

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INDEPENDENT AUDIT RE DEFICIT AND

Capital and Current De
\$17,000,000 — Deficit
Than \$700,000 at
Fiscal Year — Inter
Nearly Half of Ordin

Fredericton, June 7.—New Brunswick has a debt of over \$17,000,000.

Its capital and current debt and obligations amount to \$20,000,000.

New Brunswick has an estimated revenue of \$630,500, while the Valley Railway bonds issued.

New Brunswick's estimated ordinary expenditures at 25 cents exceed its estimated receipts by nearly \$150,000 and, at 25 cents Valley Railway interest, about \$400,000.

The public debt in 1908, when the Hazen government came into power, was \$5,834,533. In 1916, exclusive of Valley Railway bonds, the debt was \$9,109,059, an increase of \$3,274,525.

There was the amazing deficit of \$703,583.27 on ordinary revenue and expenses at October 31, 1916, instead of an imaginary surplus of \$12,000.

These are the figures of Price, Waterhouse & Co., as supplied in their preliminary report, after a complete examination of the books of the province.

This amount of nearly three-quarters of a million will have to be funded in order for the Foster government to start out with a clean sheet.

The foregoing were some of the startling and outstanding features of the budget speech, delivered in the legislature this evening by Hon. C. W. Robinson, in place of Hon. Robert Murray, provincial secretary-treasurer, who had to relinquish that duty on account of recent and continued eye trouble.

A DISCOURAGING STATEMENT.

The people of New Brunswick have been prepared during the recent campaign and by revelations in the past four years, for a serious statement, but the facts as presented by Hon. Mr. Robinson tonight, in such a direct and uncompromising fashion, will surely surprise even those who feared the worst.

Premier Foster and his colleagues and supporters, have nothing to conceal from the public. The plain unvarnished facts from the books of the province, by the most expert accounting firm in Canada or anywhere else, Messrs Price, Waterhouse & Co., will be placed before the legislature and the people, and upon their report the government must and will act.

A preliminary statement that there was a deficit of over \$700,000 at the end of the last fiscal year, is most startling and disquieting, but the other facts as presented, showing that New Brunswick after eight years of Hazen and Flemming, Clarke and Murray, as premiers, has a debt and obligations of over twenty millions, and an interest account of nearly half its ordinary revenue are surely sufficient to rouse the people from their lethargy, bid them inquire what the end is to be, and how the province is to raise the money to meet these vast obligations.

TEN CLASSES UNDER CONSCRIPTION BILL

OTTAWA, June 11.—In the House of Commons this afternoon Sir Robert Borden introduced and explained the Military Conscription Bill. There are to be ten classes as follows:

- 1—Those who have attained the age of 20, and were born not earlier than 1894, are unmarried or widowers without children.
- 2—Those born in 1889 to 1893, inclusive, unmarried or widowers without children.
- 3—Those born in 1883 to 1888, unmarried or widowers without children.
- 4—Those of 20 years, born not earlier than 1894, married or widowers with a child or children.
- 5—Those born in 1889 to 1893, married or widowers with a child or children.
- 6—Those born 1883 to 1888, married or widowers who have no child.
- 7—Those born in 1876 to 1882, unmarried or widowers without children.
- 8—Those born in 1876 to 1882, married or widowers with children.
- 9—Those born in 1872 to 1875, unmarried or widowers without children.
- 10—Those born in 1872 to 1875, married or widowers with children.

The number to be secured is 100,000. The Bill provides for local exemption boards, to whom application is to be made by those claiming exemption. One member of the Board is to be chosen by the County Judge, the other by the Minister of Justice. Then there will be an appeal tribunal composed of a Judge appointed by the Provincial Chief Justice, and finally a central appeal judge to be chosen from the Supreme Court. Clergymen and men who are in any branch of army or naval service, or have retired from it, are to be exempted.

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Tenacity.
"Grain has been found clutched in the hands of an Egyptian mummy." "It beats all," commented the Chicago man, "how some of those speculators will hold on."

A Pedestrian Once More.
"I see Brown riding on the street cars. I thought he owned an auto." "He does, but he made the mistake of teaching his wife to drive it."

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ALBERTA ELECTIONS

The Sifton Government Has Been Returned to Power by a Big Majority--All the Cabinet Ministers Have Been Re-elected

Edmonton, June 8.—Returns received this morning leave the election result as it stood at midnight, giving the government a slightly larger majority than in the last house.

It has been found extremely difficult to get returns from outlying polls owing to the crippled telephone service which is the result of the strike among the employees.

Interesting features in the results, are the unexpected defeat of Tweedie in Centre Calgary by the Labor candidate and the return of the Legislature, Mrs. McKenney, president of the Provincial W. C. T. U., who defeated William Moffat.

the Liberal candidate in Claresholm.

The present standing is:
Liberals—38.
Conservatives—18.
As there are two deferred elections which will, in all probability, return Liberals and the two soldier representatives may be counted upon to give the government independent support, the final standing is likely to be:

Government—42.
Opposition—18.
Government majority—24.
The government had a majority of 20 before dissolution.

ANOTHER WOODSTOCK BOY GIVES UP HIS LIFE

Sergt. Charles W. Bull Killed
In Action

Official Word to That
Effect—Was in Historic
Vimy Charge April 9th

Official word was received Tuesday morning by his wife, that Private Charles Henry Bull has been killed in action. The tidings, sad as they are, put an end to a long period of uncertainty, as the last report concerning the soldier was that he was missing. That report was received in the early stages of the fight for the Vimy Ridge. Mrs. Bull was formerly Miss Dorothy C. Wandless of Fredericton. One of her brothers, Private Loring S. Wandless, who has served in France for a long period in an infantry unit, visited the battalion in which his brother-in-law had been serving. His comrades, who had been in the same platoon stated their belief that he had been blown to pieces by a shell and that there was no doubt that he had been killed. The same shell killed several men. Private Bull was a "cock-tock" boy. He qualified as a lieutenant after the beginning of the war, but not receiving an appointment as an officer, enlisted as a private. He was promoted to the rank of sergeant, but on being drafted to the front resigned his chevrons. Besides his wife and little daughter, one sister survive.

The Woodstock Women's Institute contributed \$25.00 to the Y M C A Military Fund.

SPEAK OF COZZOLINO EVIDENCE

SOME EDITORIALS

What The St. John Globe And
Fredericton Gleaner Have to
Say About Revelations Made
at Valley Railway Investigation.

NOT WHOLESOME

The Fredericton Gleaner, which has been an out and out supporter of the Murray-Baxter government, uses some plain language in commenting upon the exposure. It speaks of the condition of affairs as revealed by Cozzolino as "not wholesome." It says: "The advance of \$100,000 in cash on the profit arrangements made when the contract was signed and before the work was started has the appearance of operations that cannot be countenanced."

Commenting also upon Kennedy & McDonald and Smith & Merrithew getting higher prices than other subcontractors, the Gleaner makes the grave statement that "it has been pretty generally claimed that one of these companies is so constituted that one of its members is a dummy for a member of the legislature who for several reasons is conceded to have had more influence on the members of the then government than any other private member of the house." The Gleaner no doubt refers to the firm of

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