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The executive government of New Brunswick met last Friday at Fredericton. Premier Emmerson placed his resignation in the hands of Governor McClellan who after accepting it called upon Provincial Secretary, L. J. Tweedie to form a government. The following are the members of the cabinet:

- Hon. L. J. Tweedie, Premier and Provincial Secretary.
- Hon. William Pugsley, Attorney General.
- Hon. A. T. Dunn, Surveyor General.
- Hon. G. H. Labillois, Chief Commissioner of Public Works.
- Hon. L. P. Ferris, Commissioner for Agriculture.
- Hon. Geo. F. Hill, President of the Council.
- Hon. H. A. McKeown.

JUSTICE TO THE ACADIANS.

We print in this issue a translation of an article from the Bathurst Courier in reply to an unfair criticism of the Acadian people which appeared in last week's issue of the St. John Freeman. Why, a paper which claims to represent the Roman Catholic people of this Province, as the Freeman claims, should use such harsh language towards its Acadian brethren of the same faith, we cannot understand. The Acadian people have a history in these Provinces of which they may well be proud. Their courage and constancy have given ideals for the poet and proved a fertile theme for the novelist; their simplicity of character and religious fervor have enabled them to maintain in its purity the faith committed to them by faithful and heroic priests; their thrift and perseverance have made of them comfortable law abiding citizens. The Acadians have, we presume, the same God given right to aspirations and ambitions, as their brethren of Irish extraction. As Le Courier shews they have ever been faithful and true to their native land and to the Empire of which it forms a part, even while retaining the language and traditions of their ancestors. We sincerely deprecate such an uncalled for attack as the Freeman has seen fit to make upon the Acadian people.

A PLAUSIBLE PECKSNIFF

The Hon. Geo. E. Foster at New Glasgow last week wept tears of pity over the wrongs which the Liberal Government had done to the Liberal party. Metaphorically speaking, his attenuated frame shook with the sobs of grief which he as a righteous man felt for the undoing of those worthy men who had put their faith in their party leaders only to find such trust betrayed.

He assured them that every pledge the party made in opposition had remained unfulfilled when the party came to power; not one single, tiny pledge had been kept. And so this political Moses came to them in gentle pity to lead them out of their political wilderness. Because your leaders have betrayed you, therefore you stalwart liberals should betray the principles which you have made the guiding star of your life course. Because your leaders have been unworthy, therefore, good liberals you also should act the Judas and betray them. Because you all have not secured Government positions, therefore my old time friends whom on many a field I have betrayed, and upon whom in later years I have heaped contumely, you should carry your arms over to us your enemies.

To any one in the audience at New Glasgow unacquainted with the political career of Mr. Foster, this must have seemed a most judicious course and he a very Daniel come to judgment. But we wish to point out that although as a rule Mr. Foster assumes the premises he desires and from those premises makes a faultless logical conclusion, in this case both premises and conclusion are false. In the first place the Liberal leaders have not betrayed their trust and proven false to their pledges. We have shown time and time again that of the ten pledges given by the Liberal party when in opposition, all but one have been religiously kept in the four years the party has been in power. So much for Mr Foster's premises. As to his conclusions, surely two wrongs would not make a right, or one betrayal justify another. No crying of "Good Lord, good Devil" by this political Pecksniff could disguise his motives or change the enmity which as a renegade he has ever shown to the party whose principles he forsook for the loaves and fishes of official life. Luckily both friend and foe fully comprehend the insincerity of Mr. Foster and the motives which prompt his line of action. His old leader well described him at a party banquet as "the lean and hungry Cassius." True to his character Mr. Foster has proven false to his principles and betrayed his leader to the undoing of that leader and his party. He now seeks to play the role of the plausible Pecksniff and by his affected humility and pity, win his old time opponents to his service.

To Mr. Foster might be well applied the words of Junius, in public affairs, cunning, let it be ever so well wrought, will not conduct a man honorably through life; like bad money it may be current for a time, but it will soon be cried down; it cannot consist with a liberal spirit, though it be sometimes united with extraordinary qualifications. When I acknowledge your abilities you may believe I am sincere. I feel for human nature, when I see a man so gifted as you are, descend to such vile practice; yet do not suffer your vanity to console you too soon. Believe me, you are not admired in the same degree in which you are detested. It is only the partiality of your friends that balances the defects of your hearts with the superiority of your understanding.

THAT DOUBLE GAME.

The brazen attempt of the Conservative leaders to have Sir Wilfred Laurier condemned in Ontario for being a disloyal Frenchman, and in Quebec for being a British Imperialist has been disclosed by the publication of the tory campaign literature. The disclosure has set the nest of traitors by the ears and the family quarrel has shown the utter impossibility of the Conservative party working together in harmony. It is hard

to say whether the Conservatives would be more fittingly termed a party without a leader or a leader without a party. The Montreal Gazette, an old time Conservative journal, and such Conservative organs as the Hamilton Spectator, Kingston News and Brockville Times denounced the Quebec tory Literature as disloyal and contemptible and such a stir was occasioned that Sir Charles Tupper was forced to repudiate the sentiments of the infamous Pamphlet No. 6. The very same day that the repudiation occurred, Sir Charles told La Presse that "Sir Wilfred Laurier was too English" for him and this dangerous inuendo was circulated in French throughout Quebec. The next day Le Journal repeated editorially the sentiments of Pamphlet No. 6, and has continued to do so. The Montreal Star which is the English Editor of Le Journal has not yet awakened to the fact that any such controversy has been raging. The Star should have followed its usual course and with true humour and absolute lack of principle rebuked its own French edition or else claimed that Le Journal was a Grit sheet. To show the harmony existing in the Conservative party it is interesting to read the various tory organs. The Hamilton Spectator, for instance, terms Pamphlet No. 6 "a disloyal document" and asks what right Le Journal or any other Frenchmen have to draw up party programmes. The Spectator evidently does not know that Le Journal is Tupper's official organ, and its Editor the French organizer for the Province of Quebec. Le Journal is evidently an unrepentant sinner as its reply shows—

"We see by certain exchanges that the Hamilton Spectator assumes a high-handed manner of dealing with us. The French newspaper, it says, has not the right to issue a party programme. This arrogance is ridiculous in the columns of a sheet that has no authority and no right to speak as the mouthpiece of one party or another. The Hamilton Spectator is a paper published by a fanatic, read by fanatics, for whom all that comes from the pen of the mischiefmaker who edits it is gospel. But outside of this circle, fortunately restricted, the Spectator has no prestige, and is not even respected. Its position, therefore, does not authorize it to issue proclamations. Le Journal has no ambition to outline party programmes, and had it done so it would worry very little over the approbation or disapprobation of the Spectator. Le Journal judges programmes as they are, comments upon them according to its opinion, and gives them its aid or fights them according as it thinks proper, without asking if its attitude will please this one or that one. It may happen that at a given time certain gentlemen inspire us with respect, but the despicable wight who does anti-national work at Hamilton will never be of these."

The "nest of traitors" of 1896 are evidently repeating the story in 1900. In their effort to gain office by embroiling the people of Canada in a race war, they are being hoist with their own petard. We respectfully suggest to the consideration of the tory leaders that honesty is the best policy.

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

The resignation of the Hon. H. R. Emmerson on Friday last from the Premiership of the New Brunswick Government makes the retirement from local politics of a statesman who possessed the confidence of the people of this Province and who is respected even by political opponents for his sterling worth. Mr. Emmerson has been a member of the gov-


ernment since 1892, when he assumed the position of Commissioner of Public Works in the administration led by the Hon. A. G. Blair, a position which he filled until a few months ago when he became Attorney General. He was called to form a government on the resignation of the Hon. James Mitchell in September, 1898, which he did successfully and his administration received the most flattering endorsement at the people's hands in February, 1899 at the time of the general elections.

As Commissioner of Public Works, Mr. Emmerson carried into practical effect the policy of erecting permanent steel bridges throughout this Province in the place of the worn out wooden structures previously in existence. These bridges he had built in New Brunswick foundries, and the attempt of his political opponents to create a scandal over the building of these bridges met with a severe rebuke at the hands of the electorate. Never was public confidence in a public man in this Province more conclusively shown in a political contest than it was in Mr. Emmerson in the last local elections, and never was public confidence more deserved. The ample apology tendered Mr. Emmerson by the leader of the opposition, Mr. Hazen, for the insinuations and charges of dishonesty hurled so freely in the campaign convinced even the most bitter partisans of the unstable foundations of the now celebrated bridge charges. There then remained simply the question of the wisdom or folly of the government's policy in building these permanent bridges. Our readers will remember this question was thoroughly investigated by a committee of the House of Assembly and public opinion amply sustained the finding of this Committee that the policy of the government had been fully justified by the evidence adduced.

It has been no secret to his friends that Mr. Emmerson was anxious to retire from local politics and no doubt he felt that he could choose no more opportune time than the present when he can leave to his successor a government which has had so recently such an overwhelming popular majority, and which has in the House the support of 40 members out of a total membership of 46. Mr. Emmerson's record has been a clean and honorable one from first to last and his many friends throughout New Brunswick will learn with regret that his resignation as their Premier is an accomplished fact. We hope that this step does not necessarily imply his retirement from public life, for New Brunswick needs in her service men of the stamp of Henry R. Emmerson. We wish him success and long life in whatever position he may engage, a wish which will be reached in thousands of breasts in this Province to-day.


The retirement of Mr. Emmerson has resulted in the Hon. L. J. Tweedie being called to the Premiership, a position for which that gentleman's talents and long experience in public life have amply qualified him. Mr. Tweedie was elected to the House of Assembly in 1871 at the age of 22 and with the exception of the four years from 1878 to 1882, he has held a seat as the representative of the adjoining county of Northumberland. Mr. Tweedie held the office of Surveyor General in Mr. Blair's government from 1890 until the latter's retirement in 1896 when he was offered by Premier Mitchell the portfolio of Provincial Secretary which he accepted. He continued to act in the same position in Mr. Emmerson's government and has chosen this portfolio in his own cabinet.

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We bespeak with confidence for Mr. Tweedie the same united support as has been extended to his predecessors in office since 1883. As a favorite son of the North Shore, we in this constituency extend to Premier Tweedie congratulations on his merited promotion in public life and wish him many years enjoyment of the position.

BREVITES.

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Blair represents New Brunswick interests—Foster represents Foster and his relatives.

Hon. H. R. Emmerson is too good a man to retire to private life. New Brunswick still needs his services.

The Conservative catch cry of purity in elections is being followed by their nomination of the notorious Billy Smith in South Ontario.

In the South Ontario election trial last January, Judge Ferguson said of Mr. Smith, the tory nominee for that constituency in the coming elections:

"I look upon the evidence of Smith as being a brazen, distinct, strong denial, a denial that I do not believe, and I prefer to take the evidence of Baker as against the evidence of these other two. I think Mr. Smith's evidence cannot be too strongly condemned. As it bears on the question, it is discredited by his admission that he was guilty of this gigantic corruption."

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