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Premier Foster a Speaker At a St. John banquet

Discusses Methods for Increasing the Revenue of the Province

Intimates That Income and Land Taxes Will Not Be Considered—An Increased Revenue Must be Provided From Some Source.

St. John, Jan. 28—Premier Foster was one of the speakers at the banquet held by the Engineering Institute on Friday Evening and in the course of the remarks discussed methods of increasing the revenue of the province.

After a few preliminary remarks touched on the present depression in business which was reflected in the traffic of the railways, forcing the roads to reduce expenditures thus curtailing the opportunities for the young engineer. In regard he meant the private-owned railways. The people looked to the government to spend the public money to aid the provision of additional money for the schools of the province.



HON. W. E. FOSTER.

Public works of a national character were required in St. John, Hon. Mr. Foster continued the people demanded that Canadian traffic should pass through Canadian ports. There were not sufficient facilities here for that traffic and the C. N. R. wharves at Courtenay Bay should be completed. The government on the west side also should carry out the 1911 agreement.

laboring man and also that the public might enjoy the benefits of improvements. But the public did not look to where the money was coming from. There were all kinds of demands for expenditures. The province needed more money by reason of the railway policy of previous governments. The sum of \$25,000,000 had been invested by the province in railroads of which \$12,500,000 represented cash, \$6,000,000 of this had gone in the St. John and Quebec Railway and the balance in branch lines. The other \$12,500,000 represented land given the roads.

In other provinces the policy had been different and, instead of giving a subsidy at so much per mile, bonds of the roads had been guaranteed. These roads had later been taken over by the federal government and provincial governments had been relieved of large sums. British Columbia got rid of a liability of \$40,000,000 in this way and Alberta and Saskatchewan in proportion. Even Nova Scotia had been relieved of \$4,000,000 on the taking over of the Halifax and South Western Railway, while New Brunswick was laboring under a burden of \$12,500,000.

There was necessity for collecting more revenue. An income tax was in operation in some of the other provinces. In other provinces also the tax for roads and bridges was raised in a different manner and municipalities paid a greater proportion than in New Brunswick.

It had been suggested that an income tax be inaugurated in New Brunswick, also a land tax and a tax on corporations but these taxes would work hardship on certain classes, the speaker declared. Other ways had been devised for raising revenue but he would make no public pronouncement until the legislature met.

He said that some times he thought that his duties were too burdensome and he would like to retire but he did not intend to retire at the present time.

There were several ambitious policies that he wanted to see completed before he retired. The hydro programme should be completed. He was much interested in this. The development for St. John was nearly finished but other sections of the country must be served.

The speaker paid a tribute to C. O. Foss for his energetic and painstaking work and also to Hon. E. A. Smith and Hon. L. A. Dugal, the other members of the commission.

The speaker also was anxious to see the road improvement scheme completed before his retirement. The sum of \$3,450,000 had so far been spent on roads which would be a lasting benefit to the people and attract tourists to the province.

Other policies he carried out were those of vocational education and the

W. R. REEK GETS APPOINTMENT

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Western Ontario Experimental Farm at Ridgetown. His appointment will date from March 1, but Mr. Reek will be in attendance at the Corn Show in Chatham this week and will take advantage of every opportunity to familiarize himself with his new work at once.

Recently Purchased

The Ridgetown Experimental Farm is the one purchased by the minister of Agriculture some few weeks ago. It will be used for experimental work in improving seed corn, sugar beets, tobacco, and other special crops of the southwestern section of the province. It will also aim to assist the producers in the solution of general problems, such as marketing, by the development of strong cooperative organizations.

His Career

Mr. Reek has been selected for the important position, according to the minister, by reason of his training. He was born on a farm in Kent County, and is, therefore, acquainted with all the local conditions and local problems. He graduated from the Ontario Agricultural College about ten years ago, and after graduating was in the employ of the Ontario Department of Agriculture for a few years in different capacities, including some time spent in the office in London, England.

WILL ELECT A POPE THIS WEEK

Rome, Jan. 29—The 261st pontiff of the Roman Catholic church will be elected by Saturday next, according to the consensus of opinion as expressed by the prelates arriving here with the cardinals attached to the conclave. They expect that the decision will be reached on the third or fourth ballot. The conclave opens on Thursday, and from present indications the work of electing a new pope will be carried on expeditiously. "I do not anticipate a sharply drawn contest, which some predict," said a prominent English ecclesiastic today. "Although there are naturally divergent views among the cardinals, these differences are not irreconcilable, and I am confident that the sacred college will be able to agree upon the successor of Pope Benedict in a relatively short time."

H. S. Estabrooks of St. John is at Queen.

Returning, he served for some years in Eastern Canada, being in charge of all the agricultural work in Prince Edward Island for a few years, and then deputy minister of agriculture for New Brunswick for a further period. The latter position he resigned to take the position of assistant live stock commissioner at Ottawa, which position he holds at the present time.

SHOULD CALL A HALT

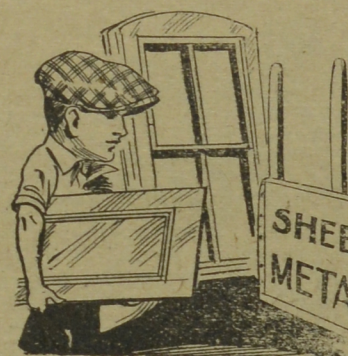
Editor Daily Mail:—

Dear Sir: According to the Federal Census Fredericton has gained one thousand in population during the last twenty years. During that time the cost of education has more than doubled, which is altogether out of proportion to increase in population. If reports in the Press are to be believed the School Trustees propose building another High School which will add very materially to the present cost. The City Council and the School Trustees should meet and go over the situation very carefully before putting the City to further expense. There is a report that one third of the pupils in the High School come from Matysville, Devon and Nashwaaksis. If this is correct there is plenty of room for the Fredericton scholars, but the crowded condition is caused by those from out of town. Now it seems to me, Mr. Editor, that the Taxpayer of Fredericton should not be asked to provide school accommodation for out of town pupils. Why do not Devon and Matysville unite and build a High School of their own. Taxes keep advancing every year and they are now as high as the Taxpayer can afford to pay.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for your space, I remain,

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