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SMITHFIELD.

Smithfield, Jan. 7.—The weather for the past few days has been quite changeable but the roads are in good condition for travelling.

We are all sorry to hear that Mrs. James Chassie is confined to her bed but all hope for a speedy recovery.

Mr. Garfield Caverhill and Mr. Thos. Feeney are carrying on lumbering operations.

A very enjoyable evening was spent recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John McDermott, there being a large turn-out from Hammondville, Poquok and the Lake. The music was furnished by Mr. James Scott of New Market.

Mr. Gus Essensa and Miss Dora Essensa have gone to Maine to work for the winter.

Our school teacher, Miss Nellie Hurley, has returned after the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Frank Feeney is spending a few days at his home in Smithfield.

Miss Mary Anne Davis is spending the winter with Mrs. Harry Essensa.

Mr. Leslie Kingston is busily engaged catching mink and rats.

Mr. Medert Foley has gone to McAdam.

Mr. Howard Fraser made his monthly trip to New Market on Saturday last.

Miss Annie Murphy, has returned to her school at Lake George.

Mr. Joseph Kennedy has gone to Brownville, Me., to work.

WHAT THE PAPERS SAY.

Leap year has only an academic interest for the capable modern young woman.—Chicago News.

No reformer has yet persuaded the alarm clock to swear off its nefarious habit.—Chicago News.

Pretty soon it will be time to make up to the groundhog.—Chicago News.

There is one gift book that is uplifting and that is a bank book with a substantial first deposit entered in it.—Chicago News.

The Kaiser is ill again. The way the Allies still insist on fighting after being beaten so many times makes him sick.—N. Y. Sun.

When a woman says to a man, "Come, now, let us be candid with one another," he always wonders whether she isn't getting ready to lie out of something.—N. Y. Sun.

Progressive Platform Was Adopted by Opposition

Convention at St. John Was a Grand Success in Every Way—Valley Railway Must be Completed From St. John to Grand Falls—Committee of Leadership Will Direct Affairs of the Party

St. John, Jan. 12.—The Opposition Convention, which was attended by delegates from every county in the province, performed a most satisfactory day's work yesterday. Besides adopting an advanced platform, pledging the party to reform in the administration of the Crown Lands and the highways of the province, and dealing with the temperance question, a Provincial Opposition Association was formed with Dr. E. A. Smith, of Shediac, as president. Dr. Smith, who has taken a keen interest in politics for many years, is a nephew of the late Sir Albert J. Smith, at one time a prominent figure in the public life of this province.

When the convention resumed in the afternoon there was a brief discussion on the question of woman suffrage, which was started by the chairman, Hon. C. J. Osman, who is a firm believer in the rights of women.

Mr. Carvell, M. P., Mr. N. W. Brown and Mr. Michael Kelly, the blind orator, were strongly in favor of extending the franchise to women, but as some opposition developed it was considered best not to take a vote on the question.

Agriculture.

A resolution relating to agriculture was well received and unanimously adopted. It pledged the party, when returned to power, to give the farmers every possible assistance, to encourage the importation of pure bred live stock, reduce the enormous salary list in the Department, and to expend the Federal grant in a non-partisan manner.

The Valley Railway.

The convention adopted the following resolution touching upon the St. John Valley Railway:

"We pledge ourselves to complete the Valley Railway from a point on the Transcontinental Railway at or near Grand Falls, to St. John, and insist upon the Dominion Government carrying out the terms of the original legislation and allow the province 40 per cent. of the gross earnings thereof."

Provincial Finances.

Another plank in the platform pledges the party to make public a correct statement of the provincial debt, and also a statement showing the enormous bond guarantees made by the Government.

Other resolutions adopted as planks in the platform pledge the party to maintain an efficient educational system, and a vigorous immigration policy.

The Organizers' Work.

On motion of ex-Ald. A. M. Rowan, of St. John, a resolution was adopted expressing appreciation of the splendid services rendered by Messrs. F. B. Carvell, M. P., L. A. Dugal, M. P., and E. S. Carter and P. J. Veniot, the organizers, in exposing the shortcomings of the administration and its legislative supporters.

Mr. Carter's Speech.

Mr. E. S. Carter, who was the first to respond, was received with three cheers and a tiger. He delivered a vigorous speech in which he told of the cordial invitation which the Premier had extended to the organizers to come forward and make charges, when he appointed Commissioner Chandler. It was scarcely necessary for him to say that the lavish promises made by the Premier were not kept. It was not Mr. Carter or Mr. Veniot who induced the Government to appoint Commissioner Chandler, but the appointment was made at the instigation of Conservative members of the Legislature, who wanted to get at Hon. John Morrissey and some of his officials.

After getting the Commissioner appointed, these gentry lacked the courage to prefer charges and intimated that Messrs. Carter and Veniot should come forward and do something.

"Well," continued Mr. Carter, "we were on the spot."

He went on to say that he had made the charge that the Dalhousie Lumber Company had settled a stumpage claim for \$2,900, and the money had not gone into the provincial treasury. Mr. Chandler had at first refused to investigate this charge, but afterwards—on realizing in what a ridiculous position he would be placed—he did conduct an investigation.

The Commissioner had declined to investigate a charge with respect to the patriotic potatoes, but it will be investigated some day. Everybody knows that eighteen carloads of potatoes were rejected by the inspector, but the province paid for them.

It was scarcely necessary to refer to the charges made in connection with the liquor licensees. He would only say that he had indisputable evidence from the liquor dealers themselves that there was a hold-up, and he intended to have that evidence made public, even if it should be found necessary to make his charges from the public platform and tell who paid the amounts, to whom they were paid and how they were paid. (Great applause.)

Mr. Veniot.

Mr. Veniot, who spoke briefly, said that at the last session of the Legislature, Conservative members had handed the organizers typewritten documents charging wrong-doing by a Minister and his officials. "We refused to act in the matter, as we had no confirmation of the evidence, and we were determined to charge no man with wrong-doing unless we could substantiate it."

He had noticed by the report that Commissioner Chandler had done his level best to exonerate the Government from blame.

Mr. F. B. Carvell.

Mr. Carvell said that he took no credit to himself for revealing the scandalous condition of provincial affairs. He had merely acted in his professional capacity for Messrs. Dugal, Carter and Veniot. He warmly praised Mr. Dugal for the courage he had shown as a new member of the Legislature in standing up and preferring charges against the Premier of the province. They refused to allow Mr. Dugal to speak in his own language, and it was only through the intervention of Mr. J. L. Stewart, of Northumberland, that he was permitted to speak at all.

Mr. Dugal, who was loudly cheered, said he thought Mr. Carvell gave him too much credit. He (Dugal) had only done his duty and that is what every member of the Legislature is expected to do.

Leadership Committee.

Mr. F. M. Tweedie presented the resolution to interview Hon. C. W. Robinson. The report stated that Mr. Robinson, on account of pressure of private business, was obliged to surrender the leadership of the party and recommended that a committee on leadership consisting of five members be appointed.

The report was adopted and the following committee was appointed:

W. E. Foster, St. John (chairman).
L. A. Dugal, Madawaska.
P. J. Hughes, Fredericton.
William Currie, Campbellton.
Dr. E. A. Smith, Shediac.
Ex-officio members, E. S. Carter, P. J. Veniot.

The Great War.

A resolution pledging the support of His Majesty's loyal Opposition to the Empire in the great struggle now being waged in Europe, was moved by Mr. N. W. Brown of York in an eloquent speech. Mr. Brown prefaced his remarks with some good advice on organization, and then made a brief reference to the war. He declared that the demon rum was an enemy more to be feared by the Empire today than the Germans, Austrians and Bulgarians. His resolution was unanimously adopted.

Provincial Association.

After a few remarks by W. E. Foster, E. S. Carter and others, the Convention formed a Provincial Opposition Association with the following officers:

Chairman—Dr. E. A. Smith, Shediac.
County Convenors:
Restigouche—John Harquail.
Gloucester—J. P. Byrne.
Queens—Dr. J. E. Hetherington.
Northumberland—D. J. Buckley.
Moncton—J. T. Hawke.
St. John City—W. E. Foster.
St. John County—A. F. Bentley.
Kings—J. H. McFadden.
Charlotte—Melvin McCormick.
Sunbury—Coun. Milton Smith.
Kent—A. T. Legere.
Westmorland—Fred Magee.
Madawaska—L. A. Dugal, M. P. P.
Albert—F. M. Thompson.
York—George F. Burden.
Carleton—Reginald Dibblee.
Victoria—George Taylor.

The following were appointed a committee on finance: Dr. Hetherington, D. J. Buckley, Donald Fraser, sr., Guy Porter, M. F. Mooney, F. M. Anderson, J. E. Michaud and Fred Magee.

The committee was empowered to add to its numbers.

A strong resolution condemning political corruption was unanimously adopted.

A hearty vote of thanks to the chairman passed unanimously.

The chairman, in reply, heartily thanked the delegates for their assistance, and heartily congratulated them on the success which had attended their labors.

An appeal for funds to enable organization work to be carried on met with a generous response.

The Convention adjourned with hearty cheers for His Majesty the King.



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