

# How People Were Fooled By Local Government Party

**Promised Car Shops and a Concrete Wall Along the Whole Harbor Front During By-Election of 1914---The Work Was to Have Been Started Immediately But There is Nothing Doing Yet--Despicable Methods Employed to Defeat Mr. Scott--A Chance Offered Now to Get Square With the Pledge Breakers.**

Have the electors of York forgotten the promises of public works made to them on the eve of the memorable Guthrie-Scott by-election in February, 1914? They were given to understand that the Valley Railway shops would be erected here, and that a concrete wall would be erected along the entire harbor front.

Here is the whole story by the Gleaner at the time.

(Gleaner, Feb. 11, 1914.)  
**SHOPS AND NEW WHARVES FOR FREDERICTON**

Citizens Pleased with the Announcement Made by Hon. H. F. McLeod, M. P.  
**MEMBER FOR YORK WARMLY COMMENDED**  
Every Support Should Now be Given in Satisfactorily Completing Arrangements.

The announcement of Hon. H. F. McLeod, M. P., as given in The Gleaner yesterday, that the St. John Valley Railway machine shops are practically assured for Fredericton, and that the Federal Department of Public Works is arranging to have two new concrete wharves built on the water front in Fredericton has been received with much acclaim on all sides in the city

and county.

For some time negotiations have been going on towards securing the Valley Railway shops for this city, and Hon. Mr. McLeod is being generally commended for the promptness which he displayed in taking this important matter up with the authorities at Ottawa and also in having arrangements completed for extending the modern improvements along the harbor front of the city. Prominent citizens this morning joined in warm commendation of the member for York's prompt action and in declaring that every support should be given him in satisfactorily completing the negotiations regarding the Valley Railway shops.

Mayor Hooper.

"The citizens of Fredericton must be pleased with Hon. Mr. McLeod's announcement," declared Mayor Hooper this morning. "It will mean a lot for Fredericton to have the Valley Railway shops, as it will bring to this city as residents many railway officials as well as skilled and well paid mechanics with their families. It will also add to Fredericton's importance as a railway centre, and do a lot towards making this the railway centre of New Brunswick, which it is fast becoming. Two new concrete wharves will make a big improvement on the water front and I feel the city corporation should hold up both hands and do everything possible to facilitate the work."

President Palmer of Board of Trade. "A great thing for Fredericton," said President John D. Palmer of the Fredericton Board of Trade, when asked for a statement concerning Hon. Mr. McLeod's announcement. "Fredericton is the proper place to locate the

shops, and having them here would bring a large number of new citizens to Fredericton. The wharves are much needed to improve the facilities on the water front. The citizens of Fredericton should appreciate these things."

(Gleaner, Feb. 16, 1914.)

**CONCRETE REVETEMENT WALL ENTIRE LENGTH OF HARBOR FRONT IS PLANNED FOR FREDERICTON.**

District Engineer Scammell Tells of Important Work Planned for This City--Surveys for New Wharves not Stopped--Engineer Hands Lie to Those Charging an Attempt to Bribe Electorate.

"Instruction"

District Engineer Scammell says that the new Fredericton wharves some time before the present by-election contest in York county was mooted," declared Mr. J. K. Scammell, district engineer of the Federal Department of Public Works, this morning.

In this official statement Mr. Scammell passed the lie to all those who have declared that the new wharves were being thrown out as a bribe to the electorate in the present by-election. His statement corroborated that given to The Gleaner on Saturday by Hon. H. F. McLeod, M. P. for York.

Rushing the Survey with Renewed Vigor.

An effort has been made by some of the Liberal papers now ardently supporting the Pinder-Mitchell candidate to make it appear that the survey which was commenced last week for the wharves had been stopped, and Mr. Scammell also nailed that lie on the head with the following statement: "The papers which state that the survey at Fredericton for the new concrete wharves has been stopped are very much in error. The survey is now being pushed with more vigor than ever. Work was stopped at Fredericton and other points along the river on Saturday for a few hours on account of the severity of the storm."

Important Work Contemplated Here.

Mr. Scammell also made announcements today of other important work for which arrangements are now being made by the Federal Public Works Department so that operations will be under way during the coming season. An extensive survey will be made on the Nashwaak in order to determine the feasibility of making navigable this important branch as far as Marysville. A large graded wharf will be commenced within a few days. A mental farm front and this survey will be commenced within a few days. [The mix-up of lines here is just as appeared in the Gleaner.]

"It is the intention to provide a concrete revetement wall the entire length of the harbor front of Fredericton," said Mr. Scammell.

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