

# RELATIONS OF PROVINCES TO THE GOVERNMENT

Canada's Several Provinces and their Connection with the Federal Administration at Ottawa Now Taking a Prominent Place in the News of the Day—Confederation Made a Great Change in Constitutional Affairs—Relations Between Canada and the United States Commented On.

(New York Herald)

The Canadian provinces and the Canadian provincial governments are "breaking into the news" with a frequency unprecedented and unknown before the war came to join the United States and Canada as allied democracies in the struggle against German autocracy. Before the war the newspapers carried an occasional story from Canada; today they fill large amounts of space with articles from Manitoba, from Quebec, from New Brunswick and their sister provinces, specified by name. Americans are learning that the provinces of the Dominion like the States of the Union are separate entities, each with its individual political life and civic concerns. It is high time that we clearly understand just what is the relation of the provinces to one another and to the government at Ottawa.

Canada's constitution is virtually the British North America Act which established Canada as a federal union as opposed to the legislative union such as exists in the United States. Sir John A. MacDonald, the "father of confederation," pithily explained this in a contemporary speech.

"The true principle of confederation lies in giving to the general government all the powers and principles of sovereignty and in the provinces that the subordinate or individual states should have no powers but those expressly bestowed upon them. We thus have a powerful central system, a powerful central legislature and a powerful decentralized system of minor legislatures for local purposes."

After the confederation of the Dominion the relations of the Colonial Office were only with the government at Ottawa, and not with the five capitals. Power was given by the act to create new provinces out of the territory lying between the Great Lakes and the Rock Mountains, a power exercised in 1870 when Manitoba was organized, and again in 1905 when Saskatchewan and Alberta were created. Responsible government has been established at all the provincial capitals since 1870 when British Columbia attained the power, rank and dignity that the British North American provinces had enjoyed up to that time.

The exclusive legislative authority of the Parliament of Canada extends to all matters coming within the following twenty-nine clauses:—Public debt and property; regulation of trade and commerce; raising of money by any mode or system of taxation; borrowing of money on the public credit postal service; census and statistics; militia, military and naval service, and defence; fixing and providing for

the salaries and allowances of civil and other officers of the government of Canada; beacons, buoys, lighthouses and Sable Island; quarantine, and the establishment and maintenance of marine hospitals; seacoast and inland fisheries; ferries between a province and any British or foreign country or between two provinces; currency and coinage; banking incorporation of banks; and the issue of paper money; savings banks, weights and measures; bills of exchange and promissory notes interest; legal tender; bankruptcy and insolvency; patents of invention and discovery; copyrights; Indians and lands reserved for Indians; naturalization and aliens; marriage and divorce.

In its organization, a government at a provincial capital is, as nearly as possible a replica of the government at Ottawa with a lieutenant governor domiciled at government house in place of the governor general and with a secretary of state—or provincial secretary—through whom communication is maintained with the central government, acting through the Department of State at Ottawa. Like the governor general a lieutenant governor is the king's representative at the provincial capital, and must ride in an even keel as regards political parties and all political agitations. The relation between the ministry—often called, as at Ottawa, the cabinet or council—are the same as at Ottawa and the procedure of the cabinet in its everyday business and in the event of a ministerial crisis is the same as at the federal capital.

A provincial ministry remains in power only as long as it can command a majority of members in the legislative assembly. If defeated on a vote of the assembly it must either ask the lieutenant governor to dissolve the legislature or the premier must tender his resignation to him, in which case the tenure of office of all his colleagues, in accordance with the constitutional practice at Ottawa, comes to an end.

Briefly the powers of the provincial legislature are as follows:—Amendment from time to time of the constitution of the province except as regards the office of the lieutenant governor; direct taxation within the province to raise revenue for provincial purposes; borrowing money on the sole credit of the province; establishment and tenure of provincial offices, and appointment and payment of provincial officers; management and sale of the public lands belonging to the province, and its timber and wood; establishment, maintenance and management of public reformatory prisons in and for the province; the establishment, maintenance and management of hospitals asylums, charities, and eleemosynary institutions in and for the provinces; municipal institutions for the province; shop saloon tavern and other licenses; local works and undertakings with certain bodies in the province, including provincial courts both of civil and criminal jurisdiction; imposition of punishment by fine, penalty or imprisonment for enforcing any law of the province made with relation to any matter coming within any of the classes enumerated in this section; generally all matters of merely local or private nature in the province.

It is clearly to be seen, with all its elaboration or illustration, that the spirit of responsibility and democracy embodied in Canada's constitution is borne out alike in both federal and provincial governments, while the Dominion reserves, for their central legislature, exclusive authority over all matters concerning Canada as a nation, the individual provinces are permitted practically unhampered powers in everything relating to matters within their own boundaries. And in all movement, all legislation, in any matter affecting the nation or province, there is but the one guiding power the concerted voice of Canada's people.

## A Humorous Editor.

Editor—"I found something very absorbing on my desk this morning."  
Poet—"Indeed? One of my poems, I presume?"  
"No; a piece of blotting paper."

## A Sensible Physician.

Mrs. King—"Did the doctor ask to see your tongue?"  
Husband—"No; I told him about yours, and he ordered me away for a rest."

Two more shopping days—to say nothing of three more evenings.



## MAIL CONTRACT.

Sealed Tenders addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon on FRIDAY, the 9th January, 1920, for the conveyance of His Majesty's mails on a proposed contract for four years, 3 times per week on the Prince William Station Rural Route No. 1, commencing at the pleasure of the Postmaster General. Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contract may be seen and blank forms of tender may be obtained at the post offices of Prince William Station and Magundy, and at the office of the Post Office Inspector.

H. W. WOODS  
Post Office Inspector.

Post Office Inspector's Office,  
St. John, N. B., Nov. 27th, 1919.



## MAIL CONTRACT

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the Postmaster General will be received at Ottawa until noon on FRIDAY, the 19th December, 1919, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails, on a proposed Contract for four years, 3 times per week, on the Chipman Rural Route No. 1, commencing at the pleasure of the Postmaster General. Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract, and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the post offices of Chipman and Linton and at the office of the Post Office Inspector.

H. W. WOODS,  
Post Office Inspector.

Post Office Inspector's Office,  
St. John, N. B., Nov. 7th, 1919.

## NEW BRUNSWICK BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

In the Matter of the application of the New Brunswick Telephone Company, Limited for an increase of rates and for a reclassification of exchanges and for the approval of certain rules and regulations.

NOTICE is hereby given that the petition and application of the New Brunswick Telephone Company, Limited, filed this day with the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities of the Province of New Brunswick, praying that this Board may declare that the said Company requires an additional annual revenue of \$264,000, or such sum as in the opinion of the Board may be necessary and that this Board may order that the schedule of tolls and charges annexed to the said petition be adopted in lieu of those at present in force, and also proposing a reclassification of exchanges and certain rules and regulations to be approved by the Board, will be heard on Wednesday, the 21st day of January next at the hour of 2.30 of the clock in the afternoon, at the Government Rooms, Prince William Street, in the City of Saint John, when and where all parties interested may attend and be heard.

The petition of the said Company is on file in the Office of the Clerk of the Board, in the City of Fredericton, where the same may be inspected.

Dated this 17th day of December, A. D. 1919.

By the Board,  
Sgd. FRED P. ROBINSON,  
Clerk

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Daily Excepting Sunday Passenger Train on Valley Ry. Between St. John and Fredericton.

During the Christmas and New Year holiday season, the Canadian National Railways will operate a special passenger train service via the Valley Railway between St. John and Fredericton. In addition to the regular service now in effect, this passenger train will leave Fredericton (daily except Sunday) at 7.00 a.m., arriving in St. John at 10.30 a.m. Returning the train will leave St. John at 4.30 p.m. and arrive in Fredericton at 8.00 p.m. This special service will be in effect from Monday, December 22nd, to Saturday, January 3rd, 1920 (inclusive) and will greatly accommodate the travelling public, providing also for the increased holiday travel. Passenger Trains No. 47 and No. 48, between Fredericton and Centerville, will run daily (except Sunday) during the same period, and the mixed trains will be withdrawn. Regular passenger fares will apply between all points.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, N. B.

## VITAL STATISTICS

The service for the collection of Vital Statistics in New Brunswick, which goes into effect on the first day of January, 1920, is in consonance, so far as general principles and report forms are concerned, with those adopted by each of the other provinces of the Dominion.

The object sought to be obtained is that information relating to births, marriages and deaths received by this province should be, so far as may be, common with that obtained by every other province. These particulars will be transmitted to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, Ottawa, where they will be collated, compiled and published. Such co-operation has been undertaken at the express request of the Dominion Bureau.

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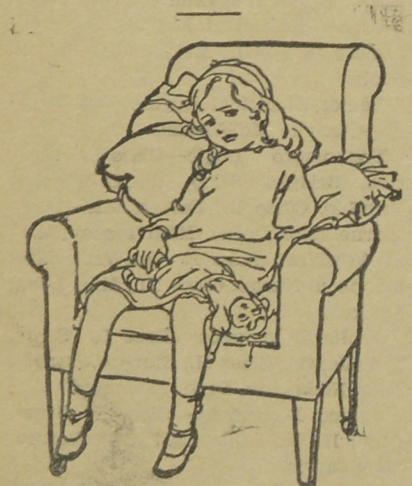
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