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MR. SUTTON CONTINUES HIS MILD CRITICISM

Assembly Chamber,
March 17, 1919.
The House met at 8.30 p.m.

HON. MR. ROBINSON presented the petition of the Moncton Board of School Trustees for the passage of an Act authorizing an issue of debentures.

MR. CROCKET presented the petition of the City of Fredericton for the passage of an Act authorizing an issue of Debentures for permanent streets and sidewalks.

HON. MR. ROBINSON introduced a bill to amend the Schools Act relating to the City of Moncton.

HON. MR. BYRNE presented the petition of the Redemptorist Fathers of New Brunswick for the passing of an Act of incorporation, also to amend Chapter 100, Acts of New Brunswick, 9 Edward VII.

HON. MR. TWEEDDALE presented the annual report of the Department of Agriculture.

MR. MURRAY (Kings) requested leave of absence for Dr. Taylor until March 24th. He stated that the hon. member had informed him in a telephone conversation that a serious epidemic of influenza was raging at St. George and had asked him to call the attention of the Minister of Public Health to the situation.

HON. MR. VENIOT presented the annual report of the St. Basil Hospital.

Mr. Sutton's Speech.

MR. SUTTON, on the order of the Day being called, resumed the debate on the address. He said that when the debate was adjourned Friday evening he had been referring to the Valley Railway. The agitation for that road had been started by Boards of Trade of towns along the river. The Blair government had made surveys, usually before an election, but nothing had been accomplished until Mr. Hazen came into power. The hon. Premier in reply to a question last week stated that plans were to be made for the proposed extension from Centreville to Andover. He (Sutton) wished to say that the route had already been twice surveyed, but political differences had prevented a choice from being made by the old government. He noticed by the report of the St. John & Quebec Railway that another route had been found shorter than those previously surveyed, and it was declared if adopted it would mean a saving of thousands of dollars. His opinion was, no matter which route was selected, there would be political differences. He believed it was the duty of the government to go on with the work at once. Money was available in the hands of the Prudential Trust Company and it would be a mistake to wait until things became normal. The work should be carried on so that employment would be given the people. In 1912 the people were unanimous for the Valley Road, irrespective of political parties. He did not agree with the hon. member for St. John that the Valley Railway was a millstone. It served a fertile country which would produce a large amount of freight. He believed when the road was completed to Grand Falls that its earnings would be greatly increased. He noticed that the people of Andover, irrespective of politics, were agitating for the completion of the road. Pledges had been made to them, and they felt that the time had arrived for their fulfillment. He recalled the hon. Minister of Agriculture asking a question of Premier Flemming about the \$15,000 a mile guarantee for the Valley road. The people were now asking the hon. Minister where he stood in connection with that road. It was his (Sutton's) opinion that the only way to make the road a paying proposition was by extending it to Grand Falls.

HON. MR. TWEEDDALE—That was always my contention.
MR. SUTTON, continuing, said he was glad to hear the hon. Minister say that. Another question had been asked about a certain car ride which Mr. Flemming had taken with Sir Wm. Van Horne. He (Sutton) had questioned Mr. Flemming on the subject and he had informed him that Valley Railway matters had never been discussed on the trip. He explained that he had met Sir William for the first time on that day and had been invited to ride in his car. Hon. members opposite had complained because the road was to connect with the C. P. R. at Westfield, but he had noticed since coming into power that they had made no change. He contended that the article which the hon. Premier's secretary had contributed to the Ottawa Citizen on Valley Railway matters was belittling to the province. All wanted the Dominion government to take over the road, and therefore should not belittle the undertaking. If they talked of graft all the time it would justify the Dominion government in not taking action. He thought too much was made of scandals in New Brunswick. Manitoba and British Columbia had political scandals, but the papers were not always referring to them. All should work together for the advancement of the province.

As a manufacturer he could say that he was not satisfied with the way in which the Workmen's Compensation Act was being administered. Too much was paid in salaries to the members of the Board. They were starting in altogether too elaborately; there were 12 men on the pay-roll drawing salaries aggregating \$19,300 which he held was out of all proportion to the services rendered. They had nothing to do except make the assessment and collect the money. He understood that an assessment of \$450,000 had been made and 95 per cent of it collected. The rating of the board on the different industries of the province was unfair. He held that a mill with modern machinery should not be rated the same as a mill that did not keep abreast with the times. He was not

criticising the Act, but he thought the manufacturers of the province should see to it that justice was done. He thought a mistake had been made in not bringing lumbermen within the scope of the Act. It had been the intention of the Commission which framed the Act that lumbermen be included, but the government for some unknown reason had dropped them out. He believed the lumbermen would be willing to pay their share and come under the Act.

He had another matter to discuss in connection with the Department of Lands and Mines. The hon. Minister of that Department was a jolly good fellow, which was the reason perhaps that he escaped criticism from members on the Speaker's left. He wished to point out that there were 256 varieties of trees in the world, and 156 were found in Canada. New Brunswick possesses one of the best wooded areas in Canada, with numerous varieties of trees. A greater revenue should be derived from the forests. The Hazen government on taking office had reduced the size of logs permitted to be cut on Crown Lands, and for that had been severely criticized, but he noticed the present government had done the same. It made the minimum twelve inches at the swell of the root, whenever that was. He had been informed on creditable authority, that smaller logs than ever had been cut previously were being cut in New Brunswick, and such a condition was not in the best interests of the province.

In the matter of the Game Law he did not hesitate to say that the Minister of Lands and Mines had no respect for the measure which he himself had passed last year, and he (Sutton) had not yet met any resident of New Brunswick who had. That little trick cost the Province \$9,000 or \$10,000. He was pleased that the Minister had seen the error of his ways and would bring down amendments.

Returning to the minimum diameter of logs, the speaker said that the total revenue from Crown Lands worked out at an approximate average of \$2.15 per thousand feet. That was not enough.

MR. PINDER—I pay \$5.50.
MR. SUTTON—I make the average \$2.15.

MR. PINDER—That's what the big fellows pay.

Continuing, the speaker said that the lumbermen were setting the rate of stumpage and were not paying enough. He did not wish to overburden the important lumber industry, but it could afford to pay much more into the Treasury of the Province, and the money could well be expended upon roads and bridges. Nothing had been said in the speech from the throne concerning Teachers' salaries. Many teachers in the province did not receive as much as the janitor of the school building. As a general thing the teacher was not as well paid as a clerk in a store. The government should be up and doing in regard to increasing teachers' salaries, and at the same time might give attention to the salaries of school inspectors, some of whom were not making a decent living. Education was an important public service and needed attention. He noticed the hon. Minister of Public Health was not in his place, and he could say that he had not much criticism of that member of the government. As a matter of fact the work of the Department had been largely carried on by the old Boards of Health. The Minister should do all he could to keep this important department out of politics.

Some speaker on the other side had stated that politics in connection with this department had been played in the municipal councils. In his own county he knew of certain incidents which actually had happened. Dr. Field and Dr. Cummings had been appointed to the Board of Health by the government. They had been friendly to the administration and he had a good idea who had recommended their appointment, and moreover, would ask information on the point by means of a question. In making those appointments a good man who had worked for years in connection with public health had been turned down. He was Dr. Curtis, a supporter of the government, but because he did not see eye to eye with a certain candidate he had not been appointed. However, the Municipal Council had appointed him, together with two other members, and had recognized his valuable services by means of a resolution. If there were any statements which he had made were incorrect, he would be willing to retract them. He was pleased to note that technical education was receiving some attention from the govt. It was a matter of pride to him that Woodstock was one of the first towns in the province to take up that important matter. He hoped every city and town in the province soon would act. In regard to the Water-power development he was opposed to govt. action and believed that private individuals and corporations could produce the best results. New Brunswick possessed a great asset in her water-powers and their development would greatly assist manufacturing by providing cheaper power. In regard to the suggested Dominion grant for highways, he hoped that a Commission would be created to handle the money and avoid the wasteful methods practiced in certain sections of the province under the Department of Public Works. He did not believe there was such a thing as permanent road work, and the Road policy of the administration was nothing but patchwork. He had personal knowledge of the Houlton road, and could state that it had not been properly crowned. The first big storm had washed it away. The only good piece of work had been done

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