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THE TERRITORIAL REVENUE

Some of the opposition organs in calling attention to the record territorial revenue collected by the provincial government last year, take particular care to point out that the increase is accounted for by the new tax on wild lands and a higher rate of stumpage. It is merely camouflage on their part, and is resorted to with the object of preventing some people from getting the impression that the business methods of the present administration are far superior to those of the government which was dismissed from office for cause by the electorate on February 24th, 1917.

The old government was always boasting of its business-like qualities and lost no opportunity to tell of its wonderful achievements for the people in the matter of the collection of stumpage. In the year 1915 it collected \$422,000 in stumpage dues, which was the record up to that time, and the government took upon itself much credit for it. The big showing, however, was not due to any wonderful activity on the part of the government, but was due to the fact that the lumber cut of that year was an exceptionally large one, having been scaled at 290,000,000 feet.

If the old government set the world on fire in 1915 by collecting \$422,000 on a cut of 290,000,000 feet, now what shall be said of the achievement of the Foster administration last year in collecting \$471,000 on a cut of only 171,000,000 feet?

The figures are taken from the public records and simply show that the government on a lumber cut of 113,000,000 feet smaller than that of 1915, collected for the people a revenue \$49,000 greater than was collected by the former administration in that year. To put it in another way, the old government collected a large revenue, but allowed the standing timber to be slaughtered, while the present administration is able to collect a still larger revenue, but at the same time it is carefully conserving the forest wealth of the province. The superiority of the policy of the present government over that of the old administration must be apparent to any man with a head on his shoulders. It is the most practical lesson in conservation ever placed before the people of New Brunswick.

WELL DESERVED TRIBUTE.

The editor of the St. John Times-Star, who was here for the Legislative opening, in the course of a descriptive article in his paper on the function, pays the following tribute to Premier Foster:

"The Premier looked the part of a prime minister. He is one of the youngest men in the House, and even if a stranger were unaware of his official position he would at once select him as a leader. Few realize that he has not yet been in office two years—will not be for another month—and yet this is his third session of parliament. Few know that, until W. E. Foster took his seat in the Legislature as Premier on May 10, 1917, he was never even in the parliament buildings. Surely everything was strange to this new man. Parliamentary procedure was a closed book to him. Rules of debate as practiced in parliament were unknown to him. All of the hundred and one arts of parliamentary life had to be acquired and the new Premier set out to learn what was needed to carry on the business of the country with propriety and decorum. If he was nervous at times he did not act so that people knew about it; if he worried over his lack of parliamentary practice amid so many old hands, he did not carry his worries upon his sleeve, but always bobbed up smiling with unvarying courtesy to friend and foe, attended to constant meetings of the government and the caucus, and all kinds of delegations; lost about twenty pounds in weight, but kept his temper, his head and his friends.

Today he faced the House in veteran fashion. In spite of the fact that there are undoubtedly grave matters to be considered, he seems to look to

the future with unruffled mien, confident that his efforts to give clean government and have only clean men in the Legislature will command the respect and support of the people."

Mr. H. H. Dewar, M.P.P. of Toronto, is to the front as a dress reformer. He has given notice of the following resolution in the Ontario Legislature: "That in the opinion of this House it will be more in keeping with the dignity of the proceedings in the assembly and with the democratic institutions if the ceremonies at the opening of the Legislature are made less formal in their character, and having regard to the establishment of women upon a basis of electoral and legislative equality with men, and that the same regulations as to dress at the opening of the House shall apply to both sexes."

The Legislature will resume work this evening after the week-end adjournment. Mr. Baxter has the floor in the debate on the address, and will be followed by Premier Foster. It is not expected that the debate will be unduly prolonged.

It is not believed at Ottawa that Sir Robert Borden will return from the peace conference as soon as had been expected. It may be six weeks yet before he is able to sail for Canada.

The first Canadian overseas corps to return home as units, the 42nd Highlanders and the R. C. R., arrived at Halifax yesterday and received a great ovation.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

The Day!

The day of the handshake and the gracious smile!

The weather man generally tries to drown one party or the other on election day—perhaps both.

Free speech is back again; some of it so free it couldn't be caught with a lariat.

The man who believes you can settle everything with the vote still appears to be numerous.

The statesman tries to lead the people into virtue. The politician capitalizes their failings.

Among the aviators there seems to be a visibly indifferent feeling toward the good roads movement.

Have you noticed that a man with a thin thatch of hair is usually a friend of the derby hat?

Nearly all men would "do as they blaméd please" if they could make a living at it.

After all, the man who wants to drown his troubles is only one degree more objectionable than the man who wants to tell his troubles.

The bolshevik food dictator in Petrograd is charged with embezzling 50,000,000 rubles. He claims to have spent the so called money for a new hat and a pair of shoes.

In many households there are two factions. One talks of the thoughtlessness of youth and the other talks of the tolerance of old age.

NOT A HEAVY VOTE

Civic Elections Today Not Arousing Great Interest—Weather Conditions Not Favorable.

There was not a very heavy vote polled in the civic elections today the weather conditions being unfavorable. Rain fell in the morning and the walking was bad at all times. Candidates overcame those difficulties to quite an extent by the use of motor-cars, sleighs and coaches. A considerable number of women exercised their franchise.

The greater activity seemed to centre about the City Hall poll where a large number of workers were gathered during the day. At the Court House things were much quieter.

Located in Florida

Tom Canadian, a well known Indian guide, who at one time made his home on the Devon Reserve, is now making his abode at Palm Beach, Florida. Tom is holding down a good job with the Fox Film Company, and puts on numerous stunts for the movies. Not long ago he accompanied William Farnham the noted actor, on a fishing trip to the Florida Keys. Canadian is a son-in-law of Jim Paul, who died on the Devon Reserve a short time ago. His father was the late John Canadian, a noted guide and voyageur who died recently at Lachine, near Montreal.

Mr. W. H. Spear of Moncton is at the Barker House.

NOT SURPRISED BY TROUBLE AT KIMMELL PARK

RETURNED MEN SAY THERE HAD BEEN OTHERS

Insufficient Food Main Cause—Other Camps Have Also Had Riots, Even Valcartier.

Returned soldiers who have been at Kimmel Park near Rhyl, Wales, where Canadian troops were in riots some days ago with fatal results, say that the outbreak is not surprising as trouble had been brewing for some time. One recently returned man says that some weeks ago while he was at that place there was trouble in which an officer had his jaw broken. The trouble was the result of disagreeable conditions and insufficient food according to the statement of this man.

Not Unusual Occurrence

Riots among troops are not unusual but the censorship during the war kept such matters from the Canadian public. The First Contingent on Salisbury Plain in 1914 and 1915 had its troubles and Bramshott and other camps since that time have seen serious disturbances.

Raid on canteens are frequent. The first Valcartier Camp had them and also the destruction of a moving picture theatre the troops taking such means of showing their displeasure.

LOCAL NEWS

Going to Burt's Corner

The G. W. V. A. theatrical company left this afternoon for Burt's Corner where they will put on their production this evening.

Boy Scouts Assisting

On Saturday the local Boy Scouts lent their aid to the War Savings Stamp Campaign, which is being started in this city, by distributing literature on the subject. This afternoon they are finishing their work.

Given Heavy Penalty

A drunk was arrested on Saturday evening and lodged in a cell. He came before Police Magistrate Limerick this morning charged with being drunk and having intoxicating liquor in his possession. He was fined, the fine and costs amounting to \$57.30.

Charged With Truancy

Two youths were before Magistrate Limerick this morning charged with playing truant from school. One lad's father was fined \$4 with an extra penalty of \$1 for every day the lad misses school. The other case was referred to the Board of School Trustees.

Received Two Calls

The firemen were called out at 9.30 Saturday evening by a still alarm sent in from the residence of Mr. E. G. Merritt, King Street. The fire was a chimney blaze which necessitated the use of two chemicals. Yesterday afternoon at 5.30 a call was sent in from the residence of Mrs. Staples at the corner of Brunswick and Northumberland streets. This also was for a chimney fire.

Bowling Notes

The two man bowling tournament is tie at present the honors being shared by J. Searles and G. Garvie with 221 and Capt. Roxborough and E. Edney also with 221. The tournament closes on March 14th and unless two other bowlers can produce better results the two teams will have to roll five strings for the highest total. The Bank Clerks and the staff of R. Chestnut & Sons are arranging a bowling match for Tuesday evening.

Judgement Given

A Kingsclear youth was before Magistrate Limerick on Saturday charged with killing a deer on the ice of the St. John River on Sunday. The case being proven and the youth being a minor his father was reprimanded by the Magistrate and a sentence of \$80 or 80 days in jail was imposed. Ten days were given in which the payment of the fine was to be made and during that time a certified report was demanded by the magistrate of the dog's death.

NOTICE OF LEGISLATION.

Public notice is hereby given that the City of Fredericton will apply at the next session of the Legislative Assembly for power to issue bonds to the extent of \$200,000, extending over a term of years, at interest not exceeding six per cent, for the purpose of constructing permanent streets and sidewalks in the City of Fredericton, pursuant to the provisions of a Resolution of the City Council to that effect.

Dated this 8th day of February, A. D. 1919.

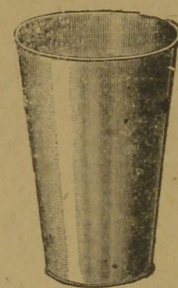
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MADE BIG SEIZURE

Chief Finley Seized Six Barrels of Rye Whiskey—Bottles Were Packed in Salt.

Chief of Police Finley made a seizure of six barrels of intoxicating liquor this morning at the C. P. R. station. The barrels were labelled salt pork and plenty of salt was in evidence but no pork. The barrels contained bottles of rye whiskey which were well packed in salt. The shipment came from Montreal consigned to a local firm. The same address was used falsely on three cases of liquor which were seized by the Police on Friday. The police had evidently been tipped off as to the expected arrival of the liquor as the Chief was on hand to receive it.

WILL APPOINT
NEW BISHOPS

Rome, March 9—Pope Benedict will hold a secret consistory on Monday. The purpose is to appoint new Bishops but it is understood that the Pontiff will take this opportunity to deliver an allocution in which, after recapitulating what the Holy See did during the war to benefit humanity, he will touch only on the grave problems of the present moment.

Another consistory will be held, after peace has been declared, probably next December when Pope Benedict will announce the names of two Cardinals chosen in the consistory of December 1916, formal announcement of whose names has been reserved.

PERSONAL

Mrs. H. G. Chestnut has returned from a visit to Ottawa.

Dr. F. C. McGrath of Moncton is in the city today.

Mr. J. P. Burchill of Nelson is registered at the Queen Hotel.

Mr. G. E. Hart of St. John is at the Barker House.

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