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THE STUMPAGE QUESTION

The amendment to the Address which Leader Murray moved in the Legislature on Friday seems to have worked the graft organs of the opposition up to a terrible pitch of excitement. They intimate that it was a veritable bombshell for the government and that it will have difficulty in surviving the shock. The St. John Globe, an independent newspaper, however, does not seem to have been greatly impressed with the gallery stunt of the opposition leader. In discussing the matter editorially, it says:

"The want of confidence resolution the opposition leader has moved in the Legislature regrets the government's failure to raise the stumpage. The motion is peculiarly appropriate. It will give the government another opportunity to regret the old government's methods in dealing with the lumber industry as disclosed by the Dugal investigation, and it will keep alive in the minds of the people of New Brunswick a chapter of local political history it is necessary to keep in mind in considering the merits and demerits of the two political parties."

The old government's methods of dealing with the Crown Lands of the province are still fresh in the minds of the people, and will not soon be forgotten. In 1913 they renewed the lumber licenses for a long term of years, collected a bonus from the limit holders and incidentally gathered in a large boodle fund which was transferred to a strong box in the Town of Woodstock in the custody of one Mr. E. R. Teed. So impressed were these great and far-sighted statesmen with the importance of the stumpage question on that occasion, and so anxious were they to safeguard the public interests, that they actually passed an order-in-council fixing the rate of stumpage for ten years at \$1.50 per thousand. The order was afterwards rescinded, but had it remained Leader Murray would scarcely now be in a position to stand up in the Legislature and move that the rate be increased to \$7 per thousand. No, the people have not forgotten the disgraceful record of the present opposition with respect to the management of the Crown Lands, nor are they likely to forget it during the next half century.

A report from New York last week said that sugar stocks were piling up there owing to lack of cars and poor transportation conditions. The surplus stocks now in Atlantic ports are larger than they have been in more than two years. Prices declined one-half cent. Eighty-five thousand bags of Cuban afloat and ready for prompt clearance have been sold at 10 cents cost and freight, equal to 11.03 duty paid. Additional purchases of 100,000 bags were made by the royal commission in Cuba for April shipment, and there were also sales of some 60,000 bags of Porto Rico for prompt shipment to New York. The royal commission lowered its buying limit to 9% cents for early April shipment, and was reported to have secured a small quantity at this price.

The St. John Standard, chief organ of the opposition, is trying to curry favor with the manufacturers of Canada and has intimated to them that if they come across with the goods they can as a quid pro quo control its editorial policy. Leader Murray, on the other hand, is trying to curry favor with the farmers of the province by advocating a boost in the rate of stumpage. It is a nice little game the opposition politicians are playing, but the day has gone by when the intelligent electors of this province can be caught by chaff.

Bradstreet's weekly trade report says that a big syndicate is reported to have taken over the lumber holdings of the British government and the trade are looking forward to business soon becoming normal again. A feeling in the trade amongst exporters is that there will be a big demand

27 PER CENT. INCREASE IN SCHOOL TOTAL

FREDERICTON SHOWED SUBSTANTIAL GROWTH

Campbellton With Increase of 89 per cent Leads Province —Moncton's Increase 34 per cent.

The annual report of Dr. W. S. Carter, Chief Supt. of Education for the year 1918-19 shows some interesting facts connected with the registered school attendance in the three cities of the province of New Brunswick and a number of the towns. For the decade closing with June 1919, the enrolment in the public schools of St. John, Moncton and Fredericton showed a substantial increase. St. John shows the smallest increase in the three it being slightly less than 13 percent. Fredericton has had a very satisfactory growth, in excess of 27 percent. The largest percentage of increase was in Moncton, a little better than 34 per cent.

Evidence of City's Growth.

The total registration in the first term of the first and last years of the decade in Fredericton schools was 1,275 and 1,622. If the increase in school population can be taken as an indication of the growth in general population there were about 9,200 residents of the city last June. That figure probably understates, as the D. S. C. R. patients and staff would be in addition to the general population. Also there would be several hundred students who would be temporary residents of the city for the greater part of the year.

Campbellton Leads.

Campbellton shows the greatest increase in school enrolment of any town or city of the province. The percentage was a little better than 89. This would indicate that the population of the progressive Restigouche County town is now well upwards of five thousand.

Marysville and Devon the two York County towns, show a contrast in school attendance. In the decade that of Marysville has been practically stationary, a slight decrease being reported, while that of Devon has increased steadily. As an incorporated town Devon is shown only for two years but in that period there was a growth of eight percent. During the present school year the increase in school enrolment in Devon has been some ten percent. Marysville from 1909 to 1919 had a decrease of four

percent in school enrolment. There is a marked contrast among the towns of the province in the matter of school attendance, some showing a falling off and others an increase. Among the towns which show decreases of greater or less extent are St. Stephen, Milltown, Marysville and Chatham. Among those showing increases are Campbellton, Woodstock, Newcastle, Sussex, St. Andrews, Shediac, Sackville, St. George, Grand Falls and Devon.

The proposal to send a delegation to Ottawa to discuss with the authorities the future of the Queen street military property here, meets with general approval. If the government does not intend having the property occupied by permanent troops a proposal should be made with a view of having it taken over by the city. It is altogether too valuable to be allowed to remain idle.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Watching a girl clad in a tight skirt walk on an icy sidewalk is not good for poor nerves.

Munchausen told some big ones, but it's plain he didn't tell them around home.

Filling out an income tax blank is hard work but it's harder work earning enough money to be able to fill one out.

Summer feminine fashions have not yet made an actual appearance, but we can take the optimistic view—we feel they can't be any worse.

Before the discovery of mechanical flying few believed it possible. The trouble is that now everybody believes everything possible.

"Don't buy clothes if the price is high," is a suggestion offered. Tush! that advice is too old for those who have been trying it since 1917.

A man used to be regarded as generous when he let his friends in on the ground floor, but nowadays the height of hospitality is to invite them down cellar.

According to an antiquarian the influenza was prevalent in Bible times. It would be interesting to know whether, when Solomon got the grip, all his wives told him at the same time that he was a "cross as—" or appointed a committee for the purpose.

FARMERS' AND DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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Mr. Robinson, Stanley, N. B.
Marketing of Wool and Lambs—F. Waldo Walsh, Acting Live Stock Superintendent, N. B. Dept. of Agriculture
J. K. King, Representative Dominion Live Stock Division, Ottawa, and Robert Donaldson, Sackville, N. B.
Open Discussion.

4. P. M.—French Section—M. Tardif
Wednesday Evening
8.30—Announcements. Resolutions. Potato Spraying—Geo. E. Sanders, Officer in charge Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Annapolis Royal, N. S.
8.30—Report of Committees.
8.45—Potato Growing and Grading—Discussions led by A. A. H. Margison Centreville, N. B. and O. R. Estey, Woodstock, N. B.

Thursday Morning
9.00—Announcements. Election of Officers. Resolutions. Unfinished Business.

11.15—Visit to Experimental Farm via C. N. R. Valley Line.

12.00—Lunch at Experimental Farm
Address—Lime in Agriculture—E. M. Taylor, R.S.A., Assistant Supt. of Experimental Farm, Fredericton. Discussion led by W. W. Hubbard, W. S. Blair and others.

5.15—Delegates return from Experimental Farm via C.N.R. Valley Line.

Entertained Patients
The Governor Carleton Chapter of the I. O. D. E. entertained the inmates of the Military Hospital last evening with music and refreshments.

In Memory of Soldiers
The Presbyterian congregation of Fort Kent, Me., in the presbytery of St. John has decided to plant nineteen elm trees to enclose the church and manse property in honor of the nineteen young men of the congregation who served overseas in the great war either with Canadian or American forces.

Held as Witness
Albert Morneau, of Van Buren who was shot in one hand during the encounter with United States Officer Vanier near Madawaska, Me., opposite Edmundston, and who escaped arrest at the time, has returned home and is being held as a witness in the state's investigation of the killing of his companion, Candide Dumais, a returned soldier. Vanier shows the marks of the encounter, but is on duty again.

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TENDERS

Sealed Tenders for the work of re-modelling the Methodist Church building, Fredericton, N. B., will be received by the undersigned up to 12 o'clock noon, April 5, 1920, from the following trades: Mason, carpenter, painting and glazing, electric wiring, and heating and plumbing; or bulk tenders for the whole of the work.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of Lemont & Sons, Fredericton, or at the office of Architect F. Neil Brodie, 42 Princess Street, St. John, N. B.

Bulk tenders to be accompanied by a certified bank cheque for the sum of one thousand dollars; and separate tenders by a certified bank cheque for a sum equal to five per cent. of their respective amounts.

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(Signed) W. J. OSBORNE,
Secy. Building Committee.
Fredericton, N. B., March 15, 1920.



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NOTICE OF LEGISLATION.

Notice is hereby given that a bill will be presented to the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick at the next session thereof to incorporate the Union Church at McAdam, N. B. The object of the said Act is to incorporate the religious body now known as the Union Church, situate at McAdam, in the County of York.
Dated this fifth day of March, A. D. 1920.

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