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THE PREMIER TELLS FACTS.

Citizens who attended the government Convention in the Oddfellows' Hall Friday evening received a pleasant surprise in having the unexpected privilege of listening to a splendid fighting speech by Premier Veniot, who, although perhaps the busiest man in the Province, nevertheless seems tireless in discussing the important public issues of the day and utterly regardless of self in laying them before the people. The Premier with that rare gift of expressing himself in clear, lucid language and the burning enthusiasm, which characterizes him on the hustings, delighted his hearers for well over an hour by his discourse on the excellent record of his Administration and his plans for the future uplifting of the Province. He ably contrasted the achievements of the government since its advent to power with the deplorable state of affairs, which existed under the regime that preceded it. His story was illumined by facts and figures which could only fail to convince those who either by nature or force of habit are unable to distinguish the false from the true.

Port of his speech appeared in issue Friday and will prove a source of inspiration to all loyal New Brunswickers; but certain points which he specially stressed cannot be too often repeated or too strongly emphasized. One of the best proofs of the Government's efficiency is shown by the high financial standing of the Province in the money markets of the world. Today New Brunswick bonds command a higher figure than those of any other Province or of the Dominion itself, whereas prior to 1917 they sold around 95 or even lower. The financial world will only pay top price for a first class article in which there is no element of risk or uncertainty. The absolute guarantee contained in the sinking fund has eliminated even the faintest shadow of doubt of the ability of the Province to meet its obligations in full. That is one fact to which its citizens can point with consummate pride. Another is the present condition of the roads which are second to none on the American continent, attracting motorists from all parts and winning their unstinted praise and admiration. The excellent work done in this connection came under the special Department of the Premier himself, who announced in his speech here that the task would be continued until every bye-road was brought to the same high standard of excellence.

Finally he referred to the central topic of the day, namely, the development of hydro-power at Grand Falls. The necessity of quickening the industrial life of the Province is so plain that it hardly needs further elaboration. What hydro will mean in providing employment for the natural increase in population, in securing new settlers, in attracting capital, in the growth of towns and cities to provide a constantly expanding home market for the agricultural districts and in raising the country to a higher economic status is clearly demonstrated by the wonderful progress of countries, which have already enjoyed the benefits of cheap electric power. It cannot be too often reiterated that the Grand Falls power scheme will never be a burden on the taxpayer, but will pay its way from the moment of its inception. Everywhere throughout the world huge sums are being invested in hydro undertakings, because it is fully realized that it means not only power but life itself to the industrial future of mankind.

Yet Mr. Baxter, the political juggler, whose only concern is his own personal power, wants more delay in order to learn if the most expert engineers in the country know what they are talking about. The doughty colonel wants to devote his colossal brain to a four months study of the subject to see if men like Mr. Acres understand their job. The fact is the vacillating pettifogger, whose flexible opinions are bent at will to suit his audience is a servant of the big interests and if he had the power he would immediately turn Grand Falls over to some private company to exploit for its own special purpose. Surely the people have had enough of him and his gang, whose unsavory record is still fresh in the memory, and will give their full support to a Premier whose unblemished example

of service entitles him to the highest place in their esteem.

The good old county of Sunbury has worthy representatives in Hon. D. W. Mersereau and R. B. Smith and will undoubtedly record their appreciation of their services at the polls on August 10th. It is poor business to drop the bone and grasp at the shadow, and that seems to be the proposition which is before the electors of Sunbury. Not many years ago Sunbury had the worst roads and bridges in the province; today it has the best and the credit is due to the present representatives and the progressive government which they supported.

Hon. B. M. Hill's first speech as a cabinet minister was delivered in Fredericton and while his remarks were brief they were characterized by a lot of sound common sense. As he well expressed it the time has arrived when New Brunswick must work out its own salvation and not depend on the other provinces for help. The Veniot Government has embarked on a policy of development and in carrying out this policy is deserving of the support of all who have the best interests of the province at heart.

Premier Veniot in his speech at the Government Convention here on Friday took a whack at the Maritime Union faddists. Leader Baxter has long been an advocate of Maritime Union, but for reasons which are well understood neglected to make mention of it in his speech at the Opposition Convention here. Neither the electors of Fredericton or those of the counties of York and Sunbury have any particular interest in Maritime Union and should have nothing to do with politicians who have made it their hobby.

An Order-in-Council passed on Friday last fixed the salary of Premier Veniot as chairman of the N. B. Hydro Commission at \$3,500 per year. Leader Baxter who has been going about the country telling the people that the Premier had put himself into a \$10,000 job, has another thing coming to him. It may be said however, that Leader Baxter came as near the truth in this as he has in other matters which he has been discussing.

The city of Fredericton and the adjoining towns of Marysville and Devon will have a representative of their own in the next Legislature and it is of great importance that they should select a strong and capable man who will work hard to advance the interests of the constituency. Such a man is Mr. J. J. Fraser Winslow, K. C., who has consented to stand as the government candidate.

Mr. R. B. Hanson, M. P., is naturally very enthusiastic over the appointment of Hon. J. B. M. Baxter as leader of the Opposition and wants to see him win. With Mr. Baxter out of the way in Federal politics Mr. Hanson has a hunch that he will proceed to the Federal leadership of the party in New Brunswick and some day in the distant future may land a cabinet berth.

The government candidates for the constituency of York, Messrs. Watson Fawcett and Coburn, are meeting with a most cordial reception and their chances for success at the polls on August 10th are daily growing brighter.

Leader Baxter has made some reckless statements during the past few weeks but he has not had the courage to charge that the proposals put forward by the government for the development is an election dodge.

Leader Baxter is having his own troubles. Mr. M. H. Poirier one of his "strong" candidates nominated in Gloucester, has contracted cold feet and dropped out of the race.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald King of Chipman spent the week end with friends in the city.

Ottawa Citizen: Dr. Hedley V. B. Bridges, principal of the Normal School at Fredericton, N. B., motored to Ottawa this week accompanied by his son, Lieut. Bridges. In Montreal, they were joined by Lieut. Anderson and both officers will remain here for a few weeks attending the School of Musketry at Connaught Ranges.

Retreat at St. Joseph's.

The priests of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saint John are in retreat at St. Joseph's, Westmorland County, during the present week. Rev. Father Haney of Kingsclear is in charge at St. Dunstan's Church in this city during the time.

CROSS CREEK OUT IN FORCE AT THE TRIAL

(Continued from page eight.) men. At least one saw was used to produce noise and firearms were discharged. His daughter and Brewer had been married in the autumn of 1924 and at the time a charivari had been held to celebrate the wedding. The witness objected to this gathering and to the noise but cross-examined admitted that his objection would have been less had the crowd stayed on the highway and not entered on his property.

Came to His Window.

The informant was examined with regard to the coming to the window of the room he occupied when being attended by a physician. He said that the doctor was summoned to attend him and that members of the crowd stood about the window and yelled words to such effect as, "Let him die. Salt his hide down and send it to Arseott. Send it to Budovitch. Get old Bennett to make a box for him".

Witness also told of his telephone wire being torn down.

The son of the informant Morely Cookson who is present in court is a dwarf and his appearance excited considerable interest on the part of the public. He is to be a witness.

ILLUSTRATION OF SERMON WAS TOO REALISTIC

(Continued from page eight) epilepsy and had to be removed from her seat, in a fit. The crowding toward the exists gave many people an uncomfortable time.

Unfavorable to Public Safety.

Incidents of the kind are not favorable to public safety as the panics easily might have got beyond control. The incidents were reported to the Chief of Police immediately after they occurred but no action was taken then. The Police Commission officially did not have the matter drawn to the attention of its members.

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