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MADE A GOOD START

It is quite evident that Premier Baxter and his colleagues believe in preparedness, and it certainly looks as if the session of the Legislative Assembly which opened yesterday is going to be a business like one. No less than three departmental reports, including that of the Comptroller General, were tabled yesterday, which means that a new record was established. As the Premier already has fifteen government bills in readiness to submit to the House there is not likely to be any tie up of the proceeding for lack of business.

The opening proceedings yesterday passed off without a hitch, ministers and officials, most of whom were new to the work, acquitting themselves well. The debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne, promises to be rather lively but not lengthy. With a general election at least four years away it is scarcely likely that those taking part in the debate will indulge in campaign speeches. If the government during its brief career has any sins of omission or commission no doubt Ex-Premier Veniot who has the floor for Friday evening, will enlighten the public in regard to them. Premier Baxter, who will follow the opposition leader, will no doubt eject considerable pep into the debate. The Premier is a veteran in the political game as well as a skilled parliamentarian, and can always give a good account of himself in a debate. It is four years since Hon. Mr. Baxter last occupied a seat in the House, and while he has mellowed somewhat in that time his speeches have not lost their old time punch.

The debate on the address will probably end about the middle of the week, and in all probability the first of the following week will see the House in committee of supply. The session begun yesterday gives promise of being short and snappy.

A GREAT ENTERPRISE

It is now claimed that the development of the Grand Falls water power together with the erection of pulp and paper mills as a result of such development will mean an expenditure in this province during the next few years of from \$30,000,000 to \$40,000,000. Naturally the supporters of the government in the Legislature are jubilant over the skilful manner in which this important matter has been handled by Premier Baxter and the members of the Hydro Commission. The province is to escape being saddled with an enormous liability and at the same time the development work is to go on. It is well understood that there will be no bond guarantee in connection with the great enterprise and no obligation whatever on the part of the province. At the same time the rights of the province will be amply safeguarded.

In commenting on the great project in a recent interview Premier Baxter said:

"Concerning this enterprise, you can say that it is the business of this government to get industry started in this province and in helping to launch a development which probably will run into an expenditure of from \$25,000,000 and possibly \$40,000,000, besides securing constant employment for several thousands of men, I think we are getting away to a good start. The time has gone by in the province of New Brunswick for useless fighting over party labels and intangible political differences. What we want is business, big business and quick business."

The government has certainly got away to a good start—in fact it has really started something which is certain to bring great prosperity to the people of New Brunswick.

Premier Baxter is the only member of the present House who had a seat in the Federal Parliament, but three other members have been mixed up more or less in Federal politics. The veteran Hon. B. Frank Smith ran a very close and hotly contested election against the late Hon. F. B. Carvell on one occasion. Hon. D. A. Stewart, Minister of Public Works, once contested Restigouche-Madawaska against Mr. Pius Michaud, M. P. Then

there is Mr. Medley Siddall, one of the members for Westmorland. It will be recalled that in 1911 he ran a spectacular election against the Hon. H. R. Emmerson in Westmorland and came within a few votes of winning out.

There are a number of young men on the government side of the House who will probably be heard from during the session and will no doubt give a good account of themselves. It is very pleasing to note that four of them are graduates of the U. N. B. These include Mr. Squires of Carleton, a lawyer by profession, Lieut. Col. Harrison of St. John and Mr. Ewart C. Atkinson of this city, who is also a lawyer but has other activities which take up his attention. Major A. J. Brooks, who moved the address yesterday and made such a splendid impression is also a U. N. B. graduate and a lawyer by profession.

Hon. L. P. D. Tilley, who represents St. John City and is president of the executive council, is said to be the only son of a father of Confederation now in public life in the Dominion. He was first elected to the Legislature in 1912 and at the following session moved the address in reply to the speech from the throne. He sat in the House until 1920, and now comes back after a respite of five years. While he holds no portfolio he is proving himself a very diligent and useful member of the administration.

It was brought out in the course of a debate in the Nova Scotia Legislature this week that Mr. Robert Gordon Deputy Provincial Secretary of that province, a former Besco official, is in receipt of a salary of \$6,750 per year. This is almost double the salary paid to cabinet ministers in New Brunswick.

The double tragedy at Morrison's Mills last evening which resulted in two young lives being snuffed out has cast a deep gloom over the community. Of course it is not easy to prevent small boys from playing near a railway track but steps should be taken towards preventing a recurrence of such tragedies in the future.

The report of the Chief Superintendent of Education tabled in the Legislature yesterday shows that the province now employs 2400 teachers in about 2275 schools and that the attendance during the year was close to 80,000.

Four members of the Federal Parliament were among the spectators at the opening of the Legislature yesterday. They were Dr. O. B. Price, M. P. for Westmorland, Mr. Watson Grimmer, M. P. for Charlotte, and Mr. Geo. B. Jones, M. P. for Royal.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

March can fool the weather bureau, if any month can.

Nothing seems more futile than joining in the applause that comes over the radio.

What has become of the one-horse town now that it has a gas station on every corner?

Lima Beane says the safest place to learn that honesty is the best policy is outside the jail.

It is no easy matter to convince a man that adversity is good for him.

It's pretty hard for the mother of three or four movie actresses to keep them all married.

"In fact," says Bob Ryder, "if we could see ourselves as others see us we'd think we needed new glasses." As we have said before, we wouldn't believe it.

Dr. Frank Crane says: "A bromide from a famous man is more interesting than a new idea from an unknown." Uh-huh. If a man bullies a popular flivver he's a philosopher. Turn of the dials get wweOt's .6.

Radio is wonderful. For example, you may be getting "I Wish I Was in Peoria" from a Florida station and by a simple turn of the dials get "I Wish I Was in Peoria" from Cleveland, Ohio.

The Gaiety. "White Fangs" is the photo play at the Gaiety for Friday and Saturday featuring the dog Strongheart. It is a Jack London story and the scene is laid in a mining camp. There is also the commencement of a serial called "The Adventures of Mazie" on the bill.

THE HOUSE GOT AWAY TO A GOOD START

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ed Address in reply to His Honor's Speech from the Throne be made the order of the day for Monday evening next, at 8.30 o'clock. Carried.

HON. MR. BAXTER moved that Rev. Alban Bate be appointed Chaplain of the House; seconded by Hon. Mr. Veniot and carried.

HON. MR. BAXTER moved that a Committee, consisting of Hon. Mr. Baxter, Mr. Siddall, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Dysart and Mr. Michaud, be appointed to nominate all Standing and General Committees of the House. Carried.

HON. MR. LEGER laid before the House the returns of the elections in the various counties, held on August 10th, 1925; the returns for the by-election in St. Stephen-Milltown necessitated by the death of John M. Flewelling, and moved that the said returns be entered in the Journals of the House.

HON. MR. LEGER submitted the accounts of the University of New Brunswick; also the Report of the Chancellor and the Calendar of the University of New Brunswick.

HON. MR. LEGER submitted to the House an agreement made with W. W. Hubbard, of Fredericton, for reporting the proceedings of the House.

HON. MR. LEGER moved that the Official Reporter be assigned a seat on the floors of the House.

Reports Tabled

HON. MR. LEGER, by command of His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor laid before the House the report of the Comptroller General for the fiscal year ending October 31st, 1925.

HON. MR. RICHARDS submitted the 65th Annual Report of the Department of Lands and Mines for the year ending October 31st, 1925.

HON. MR. LEGER submitted the Annual returns of the Municipalities of Albert, Carleton, Charlotte, Gloucester, Kent, Kings, Madawaska, Northumberland, Queens, Restigouche, Saint John, Sunbury, Victoria, Westmorland, York, and of the cities of Fredericton and Saint John, and the towns of Chatham, Devon, Grand Falls, Hartland, Milltown, Newcastle, Port Elgin, Sackville, St. Andrews, St. George, St. Stephen, Shediac, Sunny Brae, Sussex and the Village of Rothesay.

HON. MR. LEGER submitted the annual report of the Chief Superintendent of the Schools of New Brunswick for 1924-25.

Adjourned at five o'clock, p. m.

PUBLIC OPINION

HORSE WEIGHT LAW.

Editor, of The Mail,  
Dear Sir: The Horse-weight Law doesn't appear to have much weight in this community. Who is supposed to enforce it? Particularly in the neighborhood of the fire station, when that whistle sounds unexpectedly, a horse isn't safe if unattended and no precautions taken to prevent running away. Immediate steps can aid should be taken to safeguard the public.

Yours truly,  
PRO BONO PUBLICO, Jr.  
Fredericton, March 11th, 1926.

TO CONTINUE NEXT WEEK.

Plaintiff's Case in Coleman vs. Monahan to End Today.

Before Mr. Justice Byrne in the Circuit Court the suit of Coleman vs. Monahan which concerns the Barker House property will continue into next week. For the defence R. B. Hanson K. C., proposed adjournment this morning but the court did not consent. It is expected that the case for the plaintiff will be completed today. S. L. C. Coleman, has completed his testimony and he was followed by Phillip McDonald, Arthur W. Blackmer and Edward McDonald. Mr. Blackmer gave evidence on electrical work and charges for services. The others were employees of the Barker House.

DIED.

COCHRANE — Entered into rest, March 11th, Mrs. Minnie Cochrane, aged 60 years. The funeral will be held from her late home, Marysville, Saturday at 2 p. m. Service by Rev. Dr. McNeill assisted by Rev. Mr. Rice. Interment at the Baptist Cemetery, Marysville.

DOHERTY—On March 11th Vincent D. Doherty, son of Charles Doherty, aged 9 years. Funeral Saturday afternoon. Service at St. Dunstan's Church at 2.30 p. m. by Rev. F. L. Carney. Interment at the Hermitage.

BLIZZARD—On March 11th, Gordon C. Blizzard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Blizzard, aged 10 years. Funeral Sunday. Service at St. Margaret's Chapel-of-Ease at 4 p. m. by Rev. A. F. Bate. Interment at Forest Hill Cemetery.

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Notice of Legislation

Notice is hereby given that application will be made at the next Session of the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick by the City of Fredericton for the passing of the following Acts: "An Act authorizing the City of Fredericton to issue Debentures in a sum not exceeding the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars, (\$25,000.00), for the purpose of completing the installation of a new unit in the water system.

An Act to amend the Buildings Laws of the City of Fredericton.

An Act to amend the Acts authorizing the City of Fredericton to borrow money."

Dated at Fredericton, February 20, 1926.

C. FRED CHESTNUT,  
City Clerk.

Notice of Legislation

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made by and on behalf of the Town of Marysville, at the next session of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick, for the passage of a Bill to amend 49, Victoria, Chapter 25, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Town of Marysville" and acts in amendments thereof.

Dated the ninth day of February, A. D. 1926.

(Sgd.) D. BIRD,  
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