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A PITIFUL CASE

Public spirited citizens, men and women who dislike to see their fellows slaving away their lives for beggerly amounts, should rise in their might and cry out against the course of Premier Hazen and his colleagues in regard to the remuneration which is paid the members of the Public Utilities Commission. In these days when philanthropists are diligently striving to improve the conditions of the poor, who are oppressed by hard task-masters and paid mere pittance it is indeed to be deplored that in the enlightened province of New Brunswick government commissioners should receive such paltry sums as are paid the members of this Public Utilities board. Pity the chairman of this board who must sweat over knotty problems for the mere bagatelle of \$900 a year. Pity his fellow commissioners who must wrestle with troublesome questions affecting corporations friendly to the administration for the disgracefully small amount of \$750 a year. Cry out in sympathy for the hard-worked secretary whose life must be made one continuous round of slavish toil for the heart-rending wage of \$600 annually. What unfairness, what niggardliness is here!

Are ministers of the Crown to vote to increase their own salaries by \$400 a year, as was the case with two of Mr. Hazen's colleagues, while Public Utilities Commissioners must struggle along on salaries little more than one third as much as the amount paid these cabinet members? Is Mr. H. A. Powell to be paid \$1,500 and more as 'counsel' for the capital-seeking Central Commission while these Public Utilities men are to receive but half of that amount?

True, the members of the commission have rendered the province no service as yet, so far as has come to light, but what of that? Are they not friends of the administration just as Mr. Powell is a friend? Have they not labored for the Conservative cause in New Brunswick as Mr. Grimmer and Mr. Morrissey have labored? Have they not served the party faithfully and well as did Mr. Hubbard? Why discrimination? It is true also that the commission can really do nothing under the Hazen act which created it, but what of that? What foolishness it would have been to establish a commission which could interfere with the affairs of the corporations which are good friends of the administration.

Meanwhile, the highway taxes are higher today than they were in the days of the former administration. But the Agricultural Commission, the Central Railway Commission, the Public Utilities Commission are Hazen institutions for which the people pay.

What does it matter if the people do have to pay the bills? Silence this protest. Premier Hazen is in power. His friends must be remembered. It comes high, but it must be done.

MR. FOSTER'S POSITION

There appears to be every promise of a renewal of the factional fight over the status in the opposition councils of Hon. George Eulas Foster, says the Halifax Chronicle. Those of his journalistic admirers which have been felicitating him upon his restored health and announcing that he would be found in his old place as chief lieutenant of Mr. Borden, have stirred up the "reorganizers," The Ottawa Journal and the Toronto News have not been heard from since Mr. Foster emerged from his retreat, but the Kingston Standard, one of

the outspoken insurgents, tells Mr. Foster and his friends that his day is done, in these words: "Hon. Geo. E. Foster has returned to his home in Toronto feeling much improved in health. This will be good news to his many friends. But it is not to be supposed that this signifies that when Parliament reopens Mr. Foster will be Mr. Borden's first lieutenant. HE WILL NOT BE. Judge Doherty, T. W. Crothers, K. C., and men of that type will be the sub-leaders. THE DAY OF THE OLD GUARD is gone."

The Kingston Tory organ is emphatic enough to be sure, and George Useless ought to have no difficulty in taking the hint that his services are no longer required. In the meantime, however it is no more than right that Mr. Borden should take the public into his confidence and tell what he is going to do about it. Mr. Foster has been for many years a faithful lieutenant in the Tory party and ought to be entitled to something more than ingratitude from his leader.

In a recent issue The Chatham World says:—"The bulk of the local government printing goes to a company in which the members of the government are stockholders. The insiders get the plums." If The World is correct in its statement, a situation exists in New Brunswick which should not be tolerated. If members of the government are stockholders in any printing company to which they are giving the "bulk" of the provincial printing, it is high time that a change was made. Provincial funds do not exist for the enrichment of the men to whom chance has given the controlling power. Is The World right? The World supports the Hazen government, though it did refer to Mr. Hazen as the "spineless leader."

President Hodge of the Board of Trade intends to put it right up to the business men of Fredericton to say whether or not the Board of Trade shall continue its work or pass out of existence. Less pretentious towns than Fredericton maintain an active Board of Trade and there is no good reason why Fredericton should lag behind in the race. The business men of the city should attend the quarterly meeting of the Board on Monday evening and assist in formulating an aggressive policy for the future. The chronic groucher must be relegated to a back seat, if this city is to go ahead.

In the departure of Mr. Richard A. Estey to British Columbia this week to take up his abode, Fredericton lost a most worthy citizen. Mr. Estey spent his life time here and did much in a quiet, but practical way to advance the city's interests. When in active business here he gave a great deal of employment to labor and made many friends in the community whose best wishes for happiness and prosperity he will carry with him to his new home beyond the Rockies.

The Ottawa Journal says:—"All Canada will be gratified to learn that Hon. Mr. Fielding's indisposition is merely a touch of overwork rather than the serious condition at first feared. Mr. Fielding, like the majority of Canada's ministers, past and present, has worked hard, and for long hours, during the past fifteen years. But a short rest it is hoped will put him back into the best of physical condition."

Richibucto Review—All Public Works to be Done by Tender. This was a plank that stuck out like a sore finger in Mr. Hazen's pre-election platform. Will some kind-hearted Hazenite please inform us when tenders were called for the several bridges which have been re-built in this vicinity during the past summer. Don't all speak at once, please.

St. John Times—The Albert County hunter who was fined for shooting a steer in mistake for a deer deserved the punishment. Most amateur hunters shoot a man when they go after a deer, and is an ordinary steer is to be generally accepted as a substitute the sport will lose all interest for the public.

PLAYING SAFE

"Are you going to send Graft-leigh back to Congress?" asked the reporter. "That's what," replied the rural politician. "We realize that it will be safer for us to have him there than at home."

THIRTY BOYS ARE WANTED FOR CANADIAN NAVY

Free Tuition at Halifax Naval College for Two Years for the Successful Competitors--After That They Will Earn Two Dollars Per Day.

Ottawa, Oct. 6.—For thirty young Canadians an opportunity will shortly be afforded to enter upon careers in the navy under more favorable auspices than at any future time.

In the beginning they will be given an education, and after two years with the naval school master they will become cadets with pay of \$2 a day and the prospects of speedy advancement to greater responsibilities and larger remuneration.

Only three years' service as cadets aboard ship will be required to qualify the boys for commissions as sub-lieutenants, and with the launching of the ships of the Canadian navy the opportunities for promotion should be numerous.

The first class of the new naval academy at Halifax should have a fine opportunity to land plums in the service. The academy will be opened in Halifax early in January. The head of the college has just been named. He is B. S. Hartley, who has been recommended for the Canadian post by the British admiralty. He has had eighteen years service and is now instructor of sub-lieutenants in the British naval academy at Greenwich. A captain of the college and yard has also been appointed in the person of Commander Edward C. Martin, of the royal navy.

COLLEGE READY FIRST OF YEAR

A contract has been given to make over the old marine hospital at Halifax into a building suited for the cadets before the first of the year.

Places as cadets in the college will be gained by competition at examinations to be held on November 6 by the civil service commission at Halifax, Yarmouth, Sydney, Charlottetown, St. John, Fredericton, Moncton. Applications for permission to take the examinations must be made to the secretary of the civil service commission at Ottawa by the 15th of the present month.

It was at first intended to admit the ages of fourteen and sixteen only, but it has since been decided to admit boys who will on the first of

January be no more than seventeen years old.

EASY EXAMINATIONS

The examination is one which any advanced high school student should be able to take it easily. It is the same examination which is held in England for the admission of cadets to the Osborne Naval School, and there the candidates must be between the ages of twelve and thirteen years. The subjects for the examination, will be arithmetic to fractions and decimals; algebra to simple equation geometry, covering the first book of Euclid; geography, history, French or German for English competitors.

The competition was announced such a short time ago that parents generally throughout the country have not apparently heard of it and though the date for the closing of applications is little more than a week away, few applications have been received. It is therefore likely that boys who take the November examination will have far better chances of obtaining cadetship than will ever occur again, as in the future there will be places for only fifteen boys each year, and the number of competitors will be much greater. This appears to be the golden opportunity for any Canadian boy to gain a place in the navy which the dominion is creating.

RECORD SURPLUS IN SIGHT

In reference to the reported statement of Hon. Mr. Lemieux in London that Canada's surplus this year would reach \$30,000,000 it may be pointed out that the figures of revenue and expenditure for the first half of the present fiscal year bear out the prophecy of that surplus this year. Although it may not reach a total of \$30,000,000 it will at least several millions over last year record surplus of \$22,000,000.

The revenue has been increasing at the rate of nearly \$1,750,000 per month, while the total expenditure for the year will probably show less than half the increase over last year's total.

FIERCE FIGHTING

RECEIVED WITH UNANIMITY

Oporto, Oct. 7.—The Republican government has been definitely established here without a struggle. The populace with unanimity received the proclamation enthusiastically. The general commanding the local division of the troops obeyed the instruction of the troops obeyed the instructions of the provisional government.

AFTER SPANISH SUPPORT

Paris, Oct. 7.—Despatches received here from various outlying Spanish provinces, indicate that the revolutionary leaders in Lisbon are doing their utmost to secure the support of the people in all sections of the kingdom. One of the first acts of the central commission which was constituted at the beginning of the outbreak was to send out trustworthy emissaries by automobile to various distant points where it was hoped a sympathetic uprising could be produced. The republicans appear to be masters thus far of a section within a radius of about fifty miles of Lisbon. The railroads are at a standstill and in the neighborhood of Lisbon Molstein roads are either barred or rendered impassable in some other way. The consensus of opinion in Lisbon appears to be that the final success of the revolutionary movement is still in doubt, depending upon the attitude of the provinces. Oporto's position in the matter will be of large influence.

ORDER OUT OF CHAOS

Lisbon, Oct. 7.—The new ministers in the provisional republican government took effective possession of their ministry at five o'clock, last night.

All the under officials have returned to their normal duties and a semblance of order is being rapidly restored to the official routine. Nearly all the banks and commercial offices together with the customs houses have re-opened in response to a request by the military governor.

The large force of volunteer soldiers which was recruited at the beginning of the uprising and was furnished with arms from the government reserve supply, is being disbanded. The volunteers are returning the weapons which were served out to them. It is reported that Admiral Candido Reis, one of the leaders of the revolution has committed

suicide, but no details of the rumored death are available.

THE KING AT GIBRALTAR

Gibraltar, Oct. 7.—The American cruiser Des Moines and the fleet with ships dressed flying the Portuguese flag at the mainmast, fired a royal salute at 8 o'clock this morning in honor of the members of the Portuguese royal family who have found refuge here. A royal salute was also fired by the Rock battery.

Gibraltar, Oct. 7.—The royal family remained today upon the imperial yacht Amelia, from the mainmast of which flies a white burgee with a green cross.

Last night's report that King Manuel and the Queen Mother came ashore and were driven to the summer residence of the Governor is incorrect.

Brest, France, Oct. 7.—The French cruiser Admiral Aube sailed for Lisbon under full speed today.

Vico, Spain, Oct. 7.—It is believed here that civil war will break out in north Portugal where the republicans have few partisans.

Paris, Oct. 7.—A special to the Journal says that a party of Portuguese revolutionists yesterday attacked the Jesuit Convent at Campolina and that several of the Jesuits were killed.

REPUBLIC PROCLAIMED

Paris, Oct. 7.—Despatches to the Paris newspapers tell of the proclaiming of the new Portuguese Republic in several cities of the provinces. It is evident, however, that the republican have not been completely victorious and that the resistance of the monarchists is not yet overcome at most points.

The customs officials at the points of collection along the frontier continue at their posts and are collecting the usual duties, but without knowing or which regime they are asking.

The officers and the soldiers at the frontier points maintain for the most part a discreet neutral attitude awaiting the notification of the new government to the provincial authorities.

The Amelia with the King, the Queen Mother, the Dowager Queen Maria Pia and Prince Alfonsa, the Duke of Oporto on board dropped anchor in the harbor at 11 o'clock last night.

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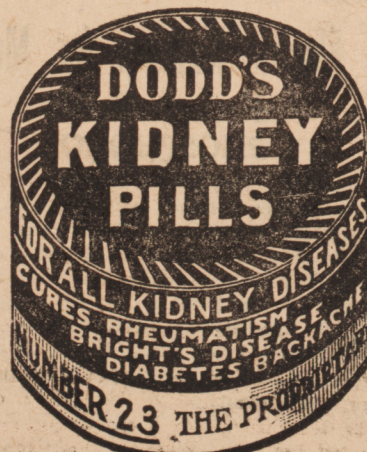
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SCRAP WITH A BEAR.

Richibucto Review.—On Monday, while Messrs. Cliff Atkinson and Christopher Graham were cruising some logging land near Kouchibouguac, they were suddenly confronted by a large bear. The bear was standing with his fore feet on a large windfall, and Mr. Atkinson, thinking the bear meant to attack them, discharged a full load of partridge shot in the bear's face. This completely blinded him, and while the infuriated beast was turning hand springs, so to speak, Mr. Graham watched his chance and stepped in and discharged him with his axe. Mr. Graham deserves great credit for his courage and skill in this matter. This bear is by far the largest that has been killed here this season.

Paris, Oct. 7.—A member of the Portuguese Court now in Paris received today the following from Queen Mother Amelia dated at Gibraltar. "We are all here and well."



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