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THE MONEY GOES

In the case of even a small province such as New Brunswick quite a large amount must be spent every year for public printing, advertising and other things of the kind. All that the people can ask is that the amount be as small as possible and that every care be taken to see that the expenditure is for purposes that are absolutely necessary to the proper administration of public affairs.

It is sound doctrine that where the outlay is as large as it is in New Brunswick the tender system should be followed so that there may be certainty that the province is being given the best terms and values obtainable. In declaring in favor of the tender system during the campaign of 1908, Mr. Hazen adopted a course which must have commended itself to the judgment of men interested in the real welfare of the province. The regrettable fact is that on obtaining power he utterly failed to follow the tender system in regard to printing just as he has failed in a similar way in regard to other public work.

It is, of course, not possible to state accurately how much money the people of the province have lost in consequence of Premier Hazen's failure to keep this pledge. Certainly, however, an examination of the public accounts of the fiscal year 1909 gives ground for the belief that while party papers profited much by the failure the people as a whole were the losers in a hardly less notable degree.

During the year in question over \$11,600 were spent under the head of 'Public Printing.' During the same time thousands more of dollars were spent for printing and advertising, and the several expenditures grouped under heads other than 'Public Printing.' All in all, the total outlay for such things was considerably more than \$20,000.

Tenders for the work for which this great sum was spent were not asked by the government. Pledged to the tender system Premier Hazen risked loss to the people by breaking the pledge and ignoring the system.

Before one of the legislative committees last winter the Auditor-General testified that tenders were not asked for public printing in 1909. The testimony by one of the chief officials of the province cannot be questioned. It is not the statement of a partisan, a man seeking to compass the defeat of the present administration.

On the testimony of this official, then, Premier Hazen is shown to have been guilty of a flagrant breach of faith. He is shown to have entirely disregarded the best interests of the people. But why should Mr. Hazen be perturbed by this fact? Did not the papers which cry his praises in every issue reap the benefit? Will they not blow the Hazen trumpet louder when their profits have been increased by the pledge-breaking, wasteful course of the administration?

The Gleaner, in particular, fared well at the hands of the government. On nearly every page of that part of the Auditor-General's report on which the expenditures for 1909 are set forth the Gleaner appears as a recipient of public money. It received no paltry hundreds. It was not to be fed upon the small favors of the administration. Under the head of 'Public Printing' it received no less than \$6,079.27, and that with at least one of the payments marked 'On Account' only. The tender system is a good system to follow—sometimes for some papers when the people pay the bills. But the local paper did much better than \$6,079. Page after page of the Public Ac-

counts tells the tale. For printing reports of the wanderings and doings of that policy-seeking Agricultural Commission it was paid some \$1,800. It received and was paid for advertisements when the government advertised in a number of papers, and it received and was paid for advertisements which for some inexplicable reason the government gave to the Gleaner alone. It was paid more for a subscription than any other paper to which the government subscribed, with the exception of one technical journal. It figured in the accounts of the School Book Department and of the Immigration Department in the accounts of the Central Railway hunt for political capital, in the Normal School accounts, and in several other places. All in all, it was paid over \$8,100—and the 'On Account' part is still to be brought to light. Eight thousand dollars for one paper, with the tender system entirely in abeyance, is a startling, dangerous record for a small province like New Brunswick.

It is not surprising that when men think of these facts—and many other similar facts which have marred the Hazen record—they are apprehensive as to the future of the public finances. It is just such facts which have opened the eyes of the people to the extravagance of Premier Hazen and his colleagues and to the manner in which the government favors its friends at the expense of the public. The people of New Brunswick should not pay the bills for the newspaper campaigns of any administration. Is part of the Gleaner's return for the \$8,100 the thick-and-thin support of the Hazen cabinet by the local paper?

Meanwhile, the people lose money because of Premier Hazen's utter regard of his pledges. That some papers favorable to the government are profiting by the same regard is hardly an adequate compensation for the public loss.

TIME FOR ACTION

If Fredericton is to expand and grow it must keep abreast of the times and the city fathers should display a progressive spirit in dealing with matters which come before them. People cannot be expected to come here and assist in building up the city unless given some assurance that they can avail themselves of water, lighting and sewerage privileges. There is now a demand for the extension of the water system on Government Lane, and it should be heeded by the City Council. There is also a demand for an extension to Morrison's Mills, which should also receive earnest consideration. There is no good argument to advance against the extension in either case. It is absolutely necessary for the growth and expansion of the city, and the members of the Council should make up their minds to grapple with the problem at once. Let steps be taken to procure the necessary authority at the approaching session of the Legislature, so that the extensions may be made next year. Why should those who come here and spend their money in the erection of fine houses be denied privileges which other citizens have long enjoyed? The proposal to get out an illustrated pamphlet setting forth the attractions of Fredericton as a place of residence may be all right, but we should first endeavor to meet the wishes of the people who are already here.

Ald. John M.B. Baxter has been appointed recorder of St. John in succession to Hon. C. W. Skinner, deceased. The appointment was made by the provincial government at a meeting on Friday last, but the announcement was not made until today. The salary is to be \$3000 per year and the appointee is to be permitted to engage in private practice. Mr. Baxter has been identified with St. John civic politics for many years and he has always been a tick and thin supporter of the Tory party.

DR. PUGSLEY'S VISIT.

Telegraph—The Telegraph learns that the Minister of Public Works, who was expected here early this week with President Hays of the Grand Trunk Pacific, will not arrive until some time next week. Hon. Mr. Pugsley, who was in Montreal yesterday, had a telegram from Mr. Hays, who is still absent, saying he expected to be able to come to St. John next week to inspect the terminals, but would wire more definitely later. It was Dr. Pugsley's intention to have reached St. John yesterday, but he now intends to wait in the expectation that Mr. Hays will be able to join him here, or come with him to St. John, at a very early date.

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C. OF E. SYNOD IN SESSION AT ST. JOHN

St. John, Oct. 4.—Considerable business both of an executive and clerical nature was transacted yesterday at the forty-second annual session of the Church of England Diocesan Synod of Fredericton, which was opened here yesterday morning in Trinity church. The session is being largely attended. In addition to the local clergymen, laymen from all over the province are here. The proceedings were formally opened yesterday morning with the celebration of Holy Communion at 11 o'clock. The service was read by Rev. R. A. Armstrong assisted by Rev. Westra B. Stewart. The standing committee also met in the morning and considered the bishop's charge to the synod.

The regular business session of the synod was held at 2.30 in the afternoon. After the opening prayers the roll was called and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The bishop next delivered his charge to the synod after which followed the appointment by the bishop of a nominating committee consisting of one clerical and one lay member from each deanery to nominate all standing committees and boards. The following is the personnel of the nominating committee appointed: Chatham, Ven. Archdeacon Forsyth, F. E. Neal; Fredericton, Very Rev. Dean Schofield, Louis H. Bliss; Kingston, Canon Neales, Col. H. M. Campbell; Shediac, Rev. C. F. Wiggins, R. W. Hewson; St. Andrews, Rev. H. I. Lynds, Hon. W. C. H. Grimmer; St. John, Rev. G. F. Scovell, H. B. Schofield; Woodstock, Rev. A. W. Teed, T. C. L. Ketchum.

Following the appointment of the nominating committee the treasurer's statement of the contingent fund in arrears was next taken up. A committee consisting of Archdeacon Raymond and Hon. Mr. Burchill, was appointed to look into the matter of the arrears and report back to the synod. A notice of motion was given to look into the matter of permitting women to vote at parish meetings.

The report of the standing committee of the synod was read and adopted.

The report of the board of home missions was taken up section by section and adopted. A committee consisting of Canon Smithers and Cowie, Rev. W. H. Simpson and T. B. Robinson was appointed to look into matters in connection with the parish of Point du Chene, and report to the synod. This yesterday's business portion of the synod and the meeting adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning.

A special synod service was held in Trinity church last evening. In the absence of Rev. Canon Powell, who was to have delivered the evening sermon, but was unable to owing to illness, the Bishop of Fredericton preached. He took his subject from the 37th chapter of Ezekiel, "On the valley of dry bones." The combined choirs of Trinity and St. Mary's churches were present and delivered special music.

The missionary meeting to be held in Trinity church this evening will be addressed by Ven. Archdeacon Pentreath, of Vancouver, B. C. and Miss Loretta Shaw.

BORDEN POSTPONES ONTARIO MEETINGS

Toronto, Oct. 3.—R. L. Borden's tour of Ontario has been postponed. The Conservative leader was informed that the numerous fall fairs in the province would interfere with the success of the tour. There are about twenty-five places, however, where Mr. Borden has been invited by the local members and he may visit some of them. He will probably make a tour of the west at the close of the session.

REWARDS OF \$100,000 OFFERED FOR LOS ANGELES FIENDS

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 3.—Under the stimulus of proffered rewards aggregating nearly \$100,000 hundreds of policemen, detectives and private citizens in all Pacific coast cities are searching for clues which may lead to the arrest of the conspirators who blew up the Los Angeles Times building Saturday last and caused the death of more than a score of persons and attempted the destruction of the homes of General Harrison Gray Otis, owner of the Times, and of F. J. Zeehandelaar, secretary of the Merchants and Manufacturers Association.

Police and civil officers believe that at least three men were concerned in the outrages, and the city has placed a prize of \$10,000 on the head of each. The county today voted an additional reward of \$5,000 for every man captured and convicted, and members of the Merchants and Manufacturers Association offered a reward of \$50,000 of which \$25,000 has been subscribed. Upon the assumption that at least three men were responsible for the explosion, the combined offers thus approximate almost \$100,000, a figure almost unprecedented in the annals of criminal pursuits.

Chief of Police Galloway said today that he expected to have one or all of the conspirators in custody soon. He expected news from San Francisco whence has come the most promising clue thus far developed.

William J. Burns, a detective, is at work tonight in that city with Los Angeles detectives who were sent there on receipt of information that dynamite, said to be the same as that found in the bomb found at Zeehandelaar's home, was purchased near San Francisco by men giving the names of Leonard, Bryson and Morris.

General Harrison Gray Otis, editor of the Times, is protected by a body guard, as are his offices and the ranch office that houses the editorial and business departments of the Times and auxiliary plant where the paper is printed.

Many clues are under investigation tonight and arrests are being made almost hourly. These arrests, however, are regarded as merely perfunctory.

General Otis and Harry Chandler assistant general manager of the Times are making arrangements for holding one funeral service for all the victims of the disaster. "If the families of the men don't object, we will have them buried in one grave in my lot," said General Otis, "and we will raise a monument to their memory, which will bear the names of all."

Coroner Hartwell empaneled a jury today to begin the inquest. After taking the nine members over the ruins of the Times building, he announced that nothing further would be done until the investigating committee appointed by the mayor and the chief of police, is ready to report.

QUEEN'S OWN RIFLES BACK FROM ENGLAND

Montreal, Que., Oct. 2.—The Queen's Own Rifles of Toronto, arrived here tonight from Quebec, where they disembarked this morning on their return from England. The regiment left shortly after midnight or Toronto, where a reception will be given them tomorrow.

BIJOU TODAY.

The program is of the same good quality that is always seen at the Bijou. "Rose Leaves," the Vitaphone feature, is most beautiful and true to life. "The Call of the Blood," a Western picture that will please all. Everyone will be pleased to hear that "Pat" will be here next week.—d.

New York, Oct. 4.—Noon—Money on call steady at 2½ percent. Prime merchantile paper 5½ to 6 percent. Exchanges \$385,746,380. Balances \$25,466,575.

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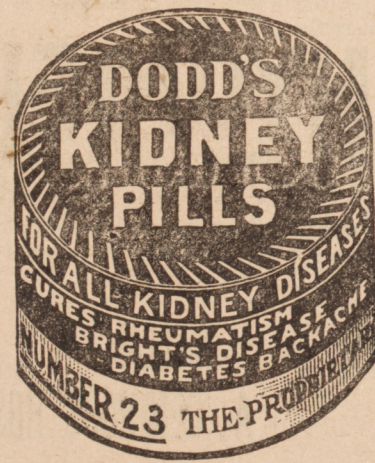
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