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MR. FLEMMING'S TROUBLES

While considerable sympathy is manifested for Premier Fleming in regard to the trouble of one kind and another which have recently overlaid him, evidence is not lacking to show that it is not shared to any great extent by some of his colleagues in the government. It will be remembered that upwards of a year ago, complaint was made that the "poor man cry" was being overworked by the premier in dealing with contractors and other seekers of government favors and several of his colleagues in private conversation made no effort to conceal their contempt for this sort of thing. Ill feeling and jealousy were engendered among the members of the administration and their monthly meetings seldom failed to develop into a war of words. It was current gossip at one time that a member of the government made the statement that another had pilloined a good sized wad of the boodle fund, intended for the last election, and when taken to task for his statement by the party accuser, he coolly named another member of the administration as his authority. The Mail does not know what foundation there was for the charge if any, but it does know that the matter was in the end allowed to drop without any apologies being made.

It will be remembered that when Premier Fleming was granted leave of absence a short time ago, nearly a week passed before the news was given to the public.

This is only one of several cases wherein the people have been kept in the dark in regard to happenings in government circles. Another incident, particulars of which are now beginning to leak out, occurred at a meeting of the government held soon after Mr. Dugal had formulated his charges in the Legislature. One member so it is said expressed great disgust over the Dugal graft charges, and went so far as to threaten to hand in his resignation. He is said to have declared in very emphatic language, that he had a suspicion that crooked work was going on, and that he did not propose to take any responsibility for it. Premier Fleming, although in delicate health was able to be present at this meeting, and almost got down on his knees to his belligerent colleague. He pointed out that his resignation at that particular time would have a very bad effect on the public mind, and he pleaded earnestly with the mutinous member of the crew to stand by the ship. The latter with considerable mental reservation finally consented to leave the matter in abeyance, but he is said to have availed himself of the opportunity to tell the premier just what he thought of him and his methods of transacting public business. Under other circumstances the resignation offered the premier would probably have been accepted right off the bat but Premier Fleming must be given credit for knowing when he has troubles enough, and he was not seeking any more just at that particular stage of the game.

A heavily subsidized Tory newspaper recently made the statement in its columns that there was lack of harmony among the leading members of the opposition. The organ's object in doing this was to draw public attention away from the Fleming government and its troubles. The latter are undoubtedly serious, and it is pretty well known that an eruption was only averted during the closing week of the Legislative session by promises of a drastic reorganization no matter what the outcome of the Dugal charges might be. At the present time the province is getting along with the services of a government sadly in the dumps. The situation is serious and the developments promised for the next few weeks will see it become more serious. Toryism in New Brunswick has certainly fallen upon evil days.

A NOTABLE ANNIVERSARY

Sixty-five years ago today the parliament building in Montreal was burned and Lord Elgin, the governor general, was rotten-egged in the streets by fervent Tory loyalists. The trouble was due to the action of His Excellency in signing the Rebellion Losses Bill, which he did on that day.

Before the ink was dry a big mob was gathered about the parliament buildings and assailed the governor with epithets, threats and missiles as he drove away. Within a short time the news that Lord Elgin had assented to the measure had spread over the city and the rage of the opponents of the bill knew no bounds. The vicinity of Parliament House was quickly occupied by a shouting, angry mob and they were not long content with vocal demonstrations against the government. Breaking their way into the parliament buildings they drove the members out and applied the torch. The government edifices, with all their valuable records, were soon smoking ruins. The bill which aroused such frenzied opposition provided for the "indemnification of parties in Lower Canada whose property was destroyed during the rebellion of 1837 and 1838," and appointed a commission to investigate claims, for the settlement of which the sum of 100,000 pounds was appropriated. Loyalists and Tories, holding that practically all of the people of Lower Canada had sympathized with the rebellion, opposed the measure with a violence such as has never before nor since marked any debate in a Canadian parliament. They denounced the bill as putting a premium on rebellion and treason and regarding those who had plotted government's position was that by the Amnesty Act the past was buried, and that all who suffered losses in the rebellion were entitled to indemnity, except those expressly excluded by the bill itself—those who had been convicted of treason, or had admitted their guilt after being arrested or had been transported to Bermuda. The bill had a stormy passage, was signed by Lord Elgin and the riots followed.

DEADLOCK OVER APPOINT

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not deal with this question from a political standpoint. They endorsed Mr. Tennant because they felt that he was the most capable man for the position, and they had no difficulty in arriving at a decision. In taking this stand they voiced the sentiments of about nine-tenths of the people of Fredericton.

Last evening the announcement was made from a semi-official source that a deadlock had occurred over the appointment and there was little chance of an agreement being reached. Under present conditions a deadlock may be expected to occur over every important appointment in the County of York. The four members work in pairs and they are as far apart as the north and south poles. As the bill retiring Col. Marsh goes into effect on May 1st it will be necessary for an appointment to be made at once. If an agreement is not reached by the local members it is possible that the position may go to City Clerk McCreedy.

SOME THINGS WE KNOW

That the outlook for band concerts this year appears to be good.

That the skating rink closed nearly a month too soon.

That the chances for a May Polo are growing brighter every day.

That the junk dealers of the city are after a monopoly of the business.

That the tango dancers are looking forward to the reopening of the club house.

That notwithstanding the continued wet weather the town appears to be dryer than usual.

That the picturesque lumber jacks are no longer in evidence here at this season of the year.

That the outlook for baseball here this season is not as bright as some of the fans would like.

That some of the magnates would like to dispose of the legacy left over from last year.

That quite a number of investigations are to be pulled off here in the near future.

That the mayoralty election may have to be run over again.

That Mr. Pinder is no longer pushing his claims for a portfolio.

That the leafy month promises to bring forth quite a crop of weddings.

That the veteran dry goods man claims to be still out of the race.

That recent appointments to legal offices here has created quite a demand for barrister's gowns.

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With a nice and obliging staff of waiters Mr. Washington has established a good business. His 35 cent dinners are unexcelled in Fredericton. Oysters and light lunches served at this well known Cafe at the shortest notice.

SCALES AND WHARVES

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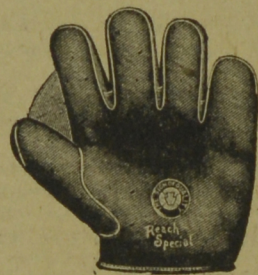
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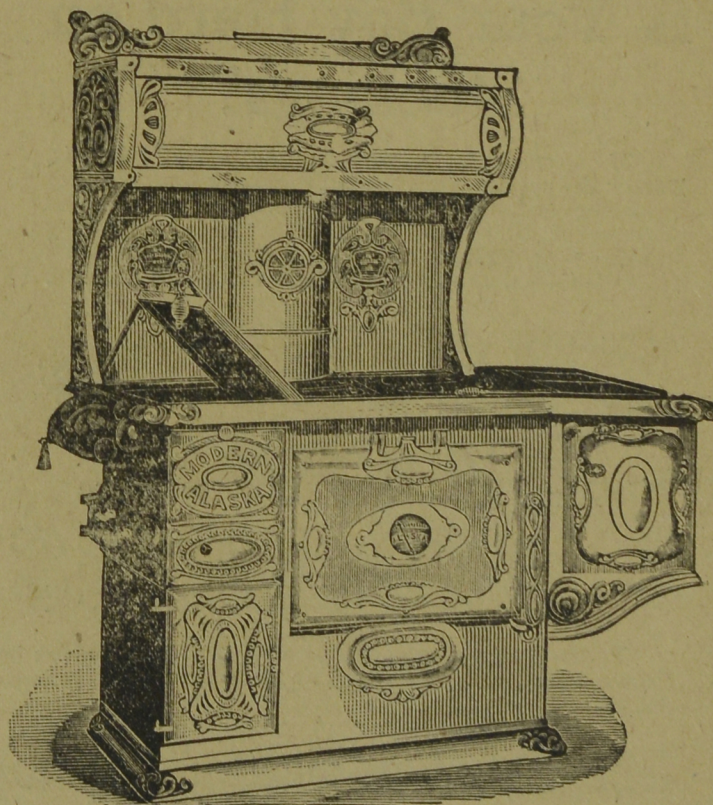
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