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## A CONSERVATIVE OPINION

The Chatham World, a Conservative paper, edited by Commodore Stewart, M.P.P., makes this terse comment on the Royal Commission's report:

"Once upon a time a man was placed on trial for 'murdering John Doe with a hatchet,' and, it appearing by the evidence that the dead was done with a club, the jury returned a verdict of 'not guilty as charged in the indictment.' The finding of the Royal Commission on the charge of extorting money from the lumbermen bears a strong family likeness to this verdict. The money was extorted by Mr. Flemming's agent, with Mr. Flemming's consent, but Mr. Flemming is not guilty of having directed Mr. Perry to extort it."

The World thinks that His Honor the Lieutenant Governor should lose no time in dismissing Premier Flemming. On this point it says:

"Lieut. Governor Wood is allowing a golden opportunity to show that he is a man, not an official mouse, to pass him by. His summary dismissal of Mr. Flemming would be applauded by the people and give him a place of honor in the annals of the province. Is he not wise enough to see, or is he too timid to act? Any man who accepts power and is afraid to take the responsibility of using it when occasion calls cuts a pitiable figure in public life."

The Commodore voices the sentiments of thousands of decent Conservatives in New Brunswick and elsewhere. The grafters and the graft press, however, are encouraging Premier Flemming to cling on to office, while the Lieutenant Governor and his advisers hesitate to take the necessary action. They are probably awaiting word from Hon. J. D. Hazen.

The Woodstock Press, Premier Flemming's back organ, out-Herod's Herod in its comment on the Royal Commission's report. It insults the intelligence of its readers by declaring that the premier has been completely vindicated by the commission and it bubbles over with joy over Mr. Flemming's challenge to Mr. Carvell to contest a by-election with him. In this connection it says:—"His re-election will be hailed with joy by many thousands of the people of this province, who respect and trust him." The Press editor still labors under the belief that Flemming is a Royal Bengal tiger, when as a matter of fact, he is nothing more than a singed cat. Any political party which would today select such a brazen hypocrite as a standard-bearer would deserve to be eternally damned.

The sum of fifty-five thousand dollars was withdrawn from circulation in this province during the summer of 1913 and placed in a strong box at or near Woodstock. In view of the great stringency which now prevails in the money market business men and others should feel grateful to Premier Flemming for ordering this large sum to be released and again put in circulation. This is probably the most statesmanlike act of the premier's public career and it is surprising that the Press has not given him due credit for it.

On the 19th inst. Elder J. K. Flemming addressed a note to Stewart E. R. Teed directing him to return to diverse lumber operators certain funds which had been extorted from them by one W. H. Berry. It is now Stewart Teed's move but so far as can be learned he had not yet moved. Perhaps he has not yet received the premier's note.

The Hon. J. Kibosh Flemming got a few lumps from the pulpit on Sunday last. To treat an erstwhile Sabbath school worker in this way is to use the premier's own words "cruelly unjust and injurious to his character and reputation as a public man."

It is astonishing what a large percentage of natives of the Old Country have enlisted in the Canadian contingent for overseas service.

## ON THE SIDE

Win distinction by doing your Christmas shopping early.

The German war rooster is going home to roost.

Cold water in trenches, it is feared, will drive the Germans to their bier.

Turkey, not content with a place in the sun, had to go and jump into the fire.

When Turco meets Turk then will come another tug of war.

Cold weather warms the cockles of the coal dealer's heart—whatever cockles may be.

Our ancestors got along without steam heat of course, but just look at them. They are mostly dead.

Battle fronts are now measured in lengths by hundreds of miles, but lateral advances are by inches.

"Germans expect mutiny by Hindus," Which shows that if there isn't any it won't be the fault of the Germans.

The Germans claim a victory of Wloclawek—but probably not a pronounced victory; not an easily pronounced victory, anyway.

The very newest thing in dancing, according to the decree of the Dancing Teachers' Club, is a combination of the tango, the one-step and the polka, a brief turn at each being separated by the "Russian turn."

France has launched three new superdreadnoughts in the last three months, without making any publicity about it. The publicity will come later.

The Toronto World, a Tory paper, commenting on the report that Mr. J. Kidd Flemming will continue as the head of the government, says: "We hope there is no foundation for the report that Mr. Flemming will insist upon remaining as the first servant of the crown in New Brunswick and the actual head of the state until the meeting of the legislature, composed almost entirely of his own supporters. Certainly the lieutenant governor should have something to say about that. As the representative of the sovereign and the appointee of the Borden government alike, he has a responsibility at this time which can neither be evaded nor shifted to the shoulders of other men."

An Ottawa despatch says that it is possible that Major General Sam Hughes may go to the front as the commandant of the second contingent in Tory Toronto a petition is being circulated asking for the decapitation of Canada's Minister of Militia. Putting this and that together it is more than probable that Premier Borden may advise General Sam to go to the front.

Calais is Kales, Dunkerque is Dunderkirchen and Boulogne is Boonen under the German system of nomenclature for the places the Germans have taken or hope to take. If they ever should get to England it would be interesting to observe what they would call Wormwood Scrubs.

Premier Flemming is busily engaged this week in addressing recruiting meetings in Carleton county. An oft quoted utterance of the late lamented Dr. Johnson on patriotism seems to fit the premier's case very nicely.

That three hour conference which Premier Flemming had with His Honor the Lieutenant Governor here a few days ago was evidently nothing more than a social chat.

The name of the Tory politician who was once described as "the biggest grafter in New Brunswick" now appears to be on everybody's lips.

## STARTS MOVEMENT FOR PERMANENT ROADS

St. John, Nov. 27.—A resolution urging the provincial government to issue bonds to the extent of \$5,000,000 for the making of permanent roads in New Brunswick was adopted with almost unanimous approval at yesterday's meeting of the Union of New Brunswick Municipalities. There was remarkable enthusiasm shown in the speeches in support of this important movement, and the most remarkable feature of all was the fact that this was the reversal of the general opinion that had been expressed at the convention of only two years ago. The most hearty supporters of the idea were some of those who said that they had been converted to the doctrine of good roads within the last few months after a close study of the subject. A strong opinion was uttered that the matter should be kept apart altogether from politics and it was said that though the amount would not be enough to put the roads into condition they should be, the bonds would be the best investment the province could undertake.

The matter arose mainly by the reading of two papers on roads in a modern light by members of the New Brunswick Good Roads Association, but it was evident that opinion was ripe for the suggestions on the part of the farming community and that the demand for better rural communication was beginning to be looked upon as the one salvation of those districts. There was only one serious opponent of the suggestions.

J. King Kelley K.C., of St. John, was elected president for the coming year and Fredericton was chosen as the meeting place for the next convention in August of 1915.

A splendid programme of papers was gone through and the discussions were of a higher standard, it was said, than had previously been recorded in the union. It was freely said that the visit to St. John had been in every way instructive and would tend to consolidate the work that the union is now doing throughout the province. The paper on the Union Jack and what it stands for by R. B. Wallace was of especial value to others besides municipal workers at this time of national crisis.

The following is the list of officers: President, J. King Kelley, St. John; vice president, Warden Hunter, York county; executive committee, W. K. Gross, mayor of Moncton; C. J. Morrissey, mayor of Newcastle; Councilor Parker Grimmer, St. Stephen; H. E. Paterson, Lincoln; Sunbury county; C. L. Peck, Albert county; A. A. Andrew, mayor of Campbellton; Com. H. R. McLellan, St. John; H. A. Brath, York county, and A. W. Ridgwell, Victoria.

The appointment of a secretary-treasurer was left in the hands of the president and it was explained that J. W. McCreedy, city clerk of Fredericton, had been indisposed and had been unable to furnish the financial report so far but that the finances were satisfactory. Alex. W. Thorne, St. John, has been acting secretary-treasurer of the present convention.

## PATRIOTIC CONCERT AT MARYSVILLE

A successful concert in aid of the Belgian Relief Fund was held at Marysville last evening under the auspices of Marysville Lodge, No. 18, Knights of Pythias. After a short address by the chairman Mayor W. H. Grey the following interesting programme was carried out:

Selection—Orchestra.  
Vocal Solo—Miss Eva Brewer of St. Marys.  
Cornet Solo—Mr. Elbridge Walker.  
Selection—Orchestra.  
Vocal Duet—Two little children.  
Vocal Solo—Mr. D. L. Dolan of Fredericton.  
Selection—Orchestra.  
Reading—Mr. W. A. Walsh of Fredericton.  
Vocal Solo—Miss Minnie Titus.  
Selection—Orchestra.  
Vocal Duet—Mrs. Dr. Ross and Miss Ruby Ross.  
Vocal Solo—Miss Kith.  
Vocal solo—Mr. William McCarroll.  
God Save The King.

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## SIR THOMAS WILL REMAIN ON THE JOB

Montreal, Nov. 25.—In connection with the renewed rumor connecting the name of Sir Thomas Shaughnessy president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, with the post of high commissioner of Canada in London, Sir Thomas today made the following announcement:

"I cannot imagine where or how these stories connecting my name with the high commissionership originated. Such a thing has never been given a moment's consideration. I can only repeat what I have said before, that the balance of my active life will be devoted to the affairs of the C.P.R., if I am wanted."

JAP CONSUL'S VIEW.

Hamilton, Ont., Nov. 26.—Hon Chonosuke Yada, Japanese consul-general of Canada, in an interview here today, expressed the opinion that the war with Germany will soon be over.

Internal conditions in Germany will force that country to seek peace," he said, "and that, in my opinion, before very long."

"Germany is being drained of every ounce of strength it has while the resources of the Allies are exhaustible. It seems to me the end is nearer than people imagine."

The consul spoke tonight at a military dinner under the auspices of the Canadian Club at which Major-General Sam Hughes was the chief guest.

"What are they going to do with Flemming?" is a question being asked on every side. No doubt Acting Premier Clarke would like very much to be in a position to give a satisfactory reply to the question.

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