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DIRECT TAXATION

Ex-Ald. Guthrie, who poses as the "government party candidate," assumes responsibility for the bad legislation placed on the statute books by the Flemming administration. It is to be hoped that when he goes into the country on a barn-storming expedition he will take the electors into his confidence and explain why the government with its greatly increased revenue, found it necessary during the session of 1913 to enact legislation imposing direct taxation upon the people for the support of the Provincial Hospital. No supporter of the government so far as we know—not even Col. McLeod—has yet attempted to defend this legislation so the government party candidate in York has a rather unique opportunity to make a name for himself. In this connection the following data, showing how the new tax will affect the different parishes, may be of public interest at this stage:

In the year 1913 the County of York exclusive of the City of Fredericton, was assessed for the support of patients in the Provincial Hospital the sum of \$390. Of this total the Parishes of St. Mary's and Douglas contributed \$130 each and the Parishes of Queensbury and Southampton \$65 each.

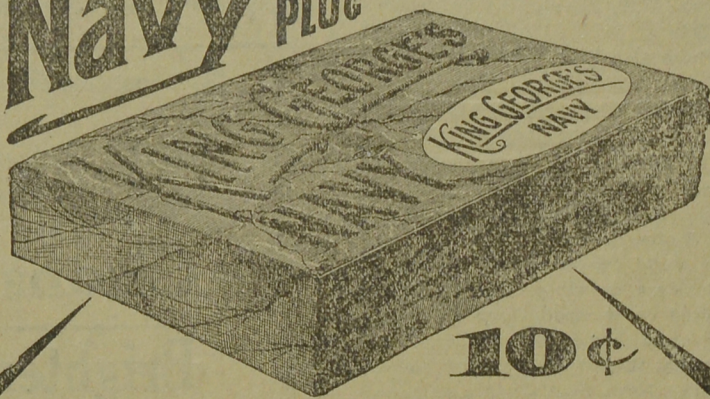
The act of last session went into force on January 1st and under its provisions the Parishes of York County must pay for the support of patients in the hospital the sum of \$1456, an increase of \$1066 over last year. The assessment was ordered at the January meeting of the council as follows: Marysville \$52, increase \$52; Southampton \$104, increase \$39; Douglas \$153, increase \$26; St. Mary's \$364, increase \$234; Dunfries \$52, increase \$52; Bright \$104, increase \$104; Prince William \$52, increase \$52; Canterbury \$208, increase \$208; Kingsclear \$104, increase \$104. Last year the city of Fredericton paid \$65 for the support of one patient. This year it must pay the sum of \$730 for the support of fifteen patients. The total increase of taxation placed upon the City of Fredericton and County of York by this act is \$1781. The electors will have an opportunity next week to pass judgment upon the action of the Flemming government in imposing this burden of taxation upon them. Notwithstanding its increased revenue the government is known to be desperately "hard up," and if the people approve of the assylum "hold-up" there is no telling what new scheme of direct taxation will be sprung upon them during the approaching session of the legislature.

One of the canvasses being urged against the candidature of Mr. J. M. Scott is that if elected to the legislature he will represent nobody but Mr. Pinder. This is a very good story for the marines but it will scarcely influence the intelligent people of York to vote against Mr. Scott. There is a strong suspicion in some quarters that if Mr. Guthrie is elected to the legislature it will be as the representative of Mr. McLeod and the St. John and Quebec Railway Company.

The \$13,700 hack organ refers to an unholy alliance, which it says is supporting Mr. Scott's candidature. Many people are under the impression that ex-Ald. Guthrie is the man who is trying to work the unholy alliance game. He has the Tammany braves solidly at his back and he is moving heaven and earth in an effort to whip the Orangemen and the Prentice Boys into line.

Property owners along the line of the St. John Valley Railway who have had to do with arbitration courts are going to vote for Mr. Scott. There's a reason and a good one, too.

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THREE ROUSING MEETINGS

paid to come there, while others had their railway fares paid to attend. Mr. C. H. Thomas never told a man to attend on his behalf. A large number of the party workers and old-time Conservatives were dissatisfied with the candidate selected. THERE ARE OTHER GOOD CONSERVATIVES WHO SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BEFORE ANY NEWCOMER, MEN WHO HAVE FOUGHT THE BATTLE YEARS BEFORE. MR. GUTHRIE WAS THOUGHT OF. I have known Mr. Scott and his father for forty years. There is not a man in York county today more thought of than ex-Warden John Scott, who's son is running in this election.

ONE MAN RULE.

"H. F. McLeod said, it will be Guthrie or nobody. That is what started me in this campaign. IS ONE MAN GOING TO RUN THIS COUNTRY? LET THEM KNOW ON THURSDAY WEEK THAT HE IS NOT. They say that Mr. Guthrie is the government candidate. I am sorry to say that the government does not recognize their son, AS THE GOVERNMENT IS TAKING NO PART IN THIS CONTEST. They say Mr. Pinder is a grafter, that he grafted \$50,000 out of the Southampton Railway. If he did, WHO GOT THE BIG GRAFT OUT OF THE VALLEY RAILWAY, WHICH HAS A SUBSIDY OF \$135,000 PER MILE WHILE THE SOUTHAMPTON HAS ONLY RECEIVED EIGHTEEN THOUSAND PER MILE.

"One of the canvasses that is being used is that the Clergymen are behind this movement. I don't know who have more right to preach and tell the people to be good than they. Those behind Mr. Guthrie are daily breaking the law and hire him as their solicitor, who GETS WELL PAID FOR UPHOLDING LAW-BREAKERS. This is the so-called government candidate.

THE ROAD QUESTION.

Mr. Colter hit the government very hard when he said that the roads through St. Mary's and Gibson were the worst he ever saw last summer and fall and were noted for the mud. He spoke to the representative about it and was taken to see the commissioner about it and found that he lived sixteen miles up the Nashwaak.

"I think St. Mary's and Gibson should have somebody to look after their roads," said Mr. Colter amid applause.

YORK'S FEDERAL MEMBER.

In reference to York's representative at Ottawa, Mr. Colter said THE PARTY HAD SERVED HIM WELL AND HE SHOULD BE AT HIS PLACE IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS, FOR WHICH HE IS PAID, LOOKING AFTER THE INTERESTS OF THE COUNTY instead of button-holing men in the street, pleading for their support and ASKING MEN TO VOTE FOR HIM IN THIS ELECTION."

"If they had given us fair play," said Mr. Colter, "there would have been no exhibition of this kind among our own party."

SUBURBAN TRAINS.

The speaker said he had read in a Montreal paper that Mr. O'arvell had asked the minister of railways if the trains between Marysville and Fredericton would be put on again, as Mr. McLeod had promised and he answered "No" very shortly.

"MR. McLEOD SHOULD BE IN OTTAWA LOOKING AFTER THOSE TRAINS INSTEAD OF TAKING PART IN LOCAL POLITICS," declared Mr. Colter amid applause.

RAILWAY SHOPS.

They claim that if Guthrie is not

elected the Valley Railway shops will not be built in Fredericton. WHAT MIGHTY MEN THEY ARE! If they expect to get the shops in Fredericton they want another engine behind the movement beside Mr. McLeod. WHERE THE RAILWAY CENTRE IS, THERE WILL ALSO BE THE SHOPS, McLEOD OR NO McLEOD. Are the people going to rule or allow one man rule? I am going to vote for what I think is in the interest of the country. I hope Gibson and St. Mary's will be in line with the rest of the county in supporting James M. Scott. (Applause.)

IN DOUGLAS.

In speaking of Douglas, Mr. Colter said there are portions of the parish where Guthrie will not get a look in.

KENNETH BAIRD.

Mr. Kenneth Baird of the U.N.B., was the last speaker. He said the main argument of the other party was to abuse some men and as they could not say anything in reference to Mr. Scott they bang away at Mr. Pinder. Mr. Baird declared that Guthrie was not nominated at a regular convention as he had his friends from all over the county notified to pack the convention and sent for our noble representative to come from Ottawa to help out his pet, when he should be at the Dominion capital attending to the country's business. Mr. Baird said he believed in British fair play, which some men liked to boast about. If Guthrie is the government candidate why were not Premier Flemming and two of the York county members backing him up?

The \$13,700 hack organ's campaign of slander against Mr. Pinder is winning votes for Mr. Scott.

Vote against Guthrie and graft.

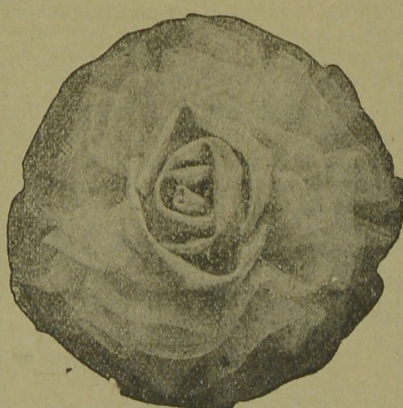
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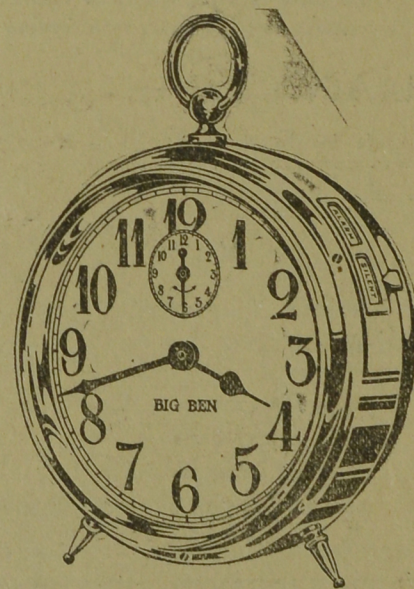
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