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### A BUSINESS-LIKE GOVERNMENT

There has not been a session of the legislature since the present government took office in 1908 that has not brought to the front industrious promoters of schemes for the development of the natural resources of the province. These philanthropists of course, are working only for the public good and apparently have no thought of their own interests. They experienced no difficulty in getting the ear of Hon. J. D. Hazen when he was premier and they have even less difficulty in getting the ear of Premier Flemming. Already this session the latter has had crystalized into legislation a scheme for settling vacant crown lands in the counties of Queens and Sunbury. A company which is said to be composed of English capitalists is to get twenty thousand acres of land and, according to Premier Flemming, they are going to spend a large sum of money each year for development purposes. They are going to bring out settlers and place them on the land; they are going to build school-houses and do a lot of other wondrous things or at least they have succeeded in making Premier Flemming believe that such is their intention. We sincerely hope, for the good of the province, that their plans will be carried out as scheduled.

If there are some skeptical people who accept these rosy tales of promised development with a certain amount of mental reservation, it is not greatly to be wondered at in view of past experiences. They have listened to the same stories and the same predictions before and they have been disappointed, and the chances are they will be disappointed again.

In the year following the advent to power of the present administration, much was heard of the iron mines of Gloucester county. We were told that there was millions of tons of ore on top of the ground and that the government proposed to take steps to develop this rich asset. Negotiations were entered into with the Deammonds of Montreal, and they were given a ninety-nine year lease of the mineral rights, against the protests of the opposition members of the legislature. In addition, the government agreed to guarantee bonds for a line of railway from Bathurst to the mines at the rate of \$15,000 per mile. In return for the privileges extended to them the company agreed to pay to the government a royalty of five cents per ton on all ore taken out. Here is the proposition as outlined in the legislature by Hon. J. D. Hazen during the session of 1909:

"It was proposed to assist the company by guaranteeing their bonds for a railway to Bathurst or some point on the I.C.R., but before the government would consent to guarantee the bonds they had insisted that the guarantee of the Canada Iron (Company) Corporation first be given. The Canada Iron Company, (Corporation) had a subscribed capital of \$7,440,000 and an authorized capital of \$8,000,000. They had fixed assets in Nova Scotia, Ontario and Quebec of \$8,000,000 and liquid assets of \$10,979,000 and as their guarantee was ahead of that of the province, he felt that the province would never be called upon to pay one cent."

Now, it seems that this wonderful company, which Premier Hazen, the sworn guardian of the interests of the people of New Brunswick believed to be in possession of millions of dollars worth of assets, liquid and fixed, went into liquidation some months ago. It is high and dry upon the rocks today and its guarantee of the bonds of this railway, although "ahead of that of the province," is not worth very much. What a tribute this is to the great statesmanship, keen business acumen and political foresight of the Hon. John Douglas Hazen.

Then, in the same speech from which we have quoted, we have Hon. Mr. Hazen making this further statement:

"After one year the province would receive a royalty of five cents per ton on the minimum output of one thou-

sand tons of ore a day for one hundred and fifty days in the year and as the company expected to take out two thousand tons daily, it could be seen that the province would receive a large amount annually in royalties in addition to building up a great industry which would afford employment for a large number of people."

A comparison of the things that are with the things that were to be shows that the then premier was away out in his reckoning. The auditor's report shows that the company lived up to the terms of the one. During the year 1912, when it was not required to pay a royalty for the year 1911 it contributed to the revenue the sum of \$1,650, which represented the royalty on 30,000 tons of ore. During the year 1912, when it was supposed to be turning out at least 1,000 tons of ore per day, it contributed not a red cent to the revenue of the province. Nothing was collected until the year 1913 when according to the auditor's report, the company paid in the sum of \$4,643.05, being the amount of royalty due for the eighteen months ending on June 30th last. Since that date so far as the public have any knowledge, nothing has been collected from the company. To sum up briefly, we find that the company has had control of the Gloucester iron mines for more than four years and up to last June they had mined and paid royalties on 122,861 tons of ore. Had the government carried out the provisions of its own law and collected the minimum charge on 1000 tons a day, the royalties would have amounted to \$29,000 instead of \$6,293. In addition to the loss of revenue, the government also loses the first endorser on the railway bonds, which amount to \$285,000 and if conditions do not improve, it will eventually be stuck for interest and principal on the whole amount. Some people may attempt to justify this blunder of the government on the ground that at the time it occurred the ministry was young and its members unskilled in the art of statesmanship. There would undoubtedly have been some justification for it had the government allowed its follies to end with its youth, but it has utterly failed to do so, in fact, it is still young. Since exploiting the iron mines, it has taken on the Southamptton Railway, the Highway Act of 1913, the Provincial Hospital Act, the Foundation Company Limited, the Concrete Construction Company, the St. John and Quebec Railway Company and other searchers for easy marks. Now, if Premier Flemming has his way, it will send along another \$10,000 a mile to the St. John and Quebec Railway Company in order that it may complete the Valley road and have something to the good. The province of New Brunswick is in a most unfortunate position today, and it is all due to the fact that the people in a moment of weakness, allowed an incompetent and extravagant government to buy its way back to power two years ago, when it so richly deserved defeat. Strong men possessed of some business ability are needed at the present time to restore something like order out of the chaotic conditions which prevail. The people of the province can expect nothing from the present combination but incompetency, extravagance, maladministration, direct taxation and debt.

### HOW THE MONEY GOES

Twenty-five officers, one lady private secretary, one assistant private secretary and two orderlies, with the officers' wives and daughters comprised the party which Colonel Hughes, the minister of militia, took with him to Europe last fall. The estimated total cost of the trip has been stated by the minister to be \$24,262. Those who are informed state that when all the bills are in the total cost will be vastly in excess of this sum. The officers received for pay of rank \$3,984 and for subsistence and other allowance in addition to a regular salary \$10.00 a day.

While Col. Sam Hughes was entertaining this Gold Braided brigade on the continent, he engaged on an average of seven automobiles per day from the Wolesley Motor Car Co., Ltd. These cars were sent from England to Boulogne and from there conveyed the party over North and Northeastern France and other continental countries. The automobiles were with the party from September 3rd to October 17th and the total amount paid for automobiles alone Canada, \$8,644.92.

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