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SHOULD MAKE HIM PAY

A short time ago a correspondent of The Mail, who seemed to be possessed of inside information pointed out that Mr. J. K. Pinder, M.P.P., the noted Nackawick Railway magnate, owed the province the sum of \$1000 on a horse transaction. It seems that the present administration in order to encourage stock raising, made an importation of horses a few years ago, and Mr. Pinder being desirous of introducing new blood on the Nackawick, purchased several of them giving a promissory note in payment. When the note matured, Mr. Pinder, being busily engaged in developing his section of the country neglected to retire it, and has continued to neglect the matter. The correspondent pointed out that the note with a phony check for \$300 attached now reposes in the provincial archives. The last auditor general's report shows, under the heading of "assets" an item of \$2,512.50 which is classified as "amount notes, sales imported stock." Although Mr. Pinder occupies the important post of chairman of the public accounts committee, the horse item appears to have thus far escaped his eagle eye.

The matter is too serious to be passed over lightly and if the note is unpaid to date it is the duty of Premier Flemming to take steps to collect it. If he wants a precedent he will find it in a section of the report of the public accounts committee submitted to the House during the session of 1908 as follows:

"Your committee beg to call the attention of the House to the item in the statement of assets of \$310.18 which represented the principal and interest of a note given in March, 1905, by White and King of Sussex, for a balance due to the province on account of the purchase of a horse in 1901 and we recommend that this note be collected."

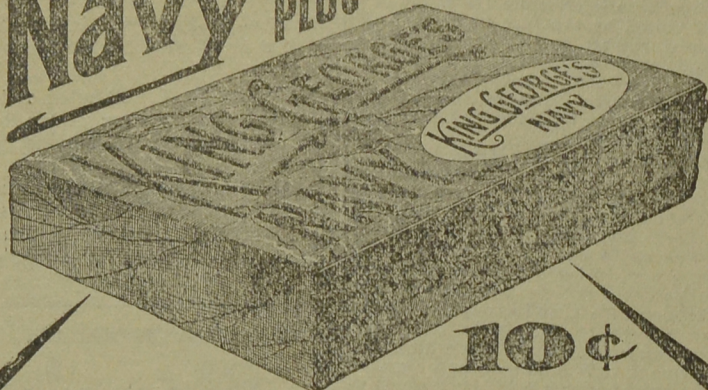
Mr. Pinder was then as now chairman of the public accounts committee and we presume the government acted upon his recommendation and collected the note. He has not made any recommendation in the case of his own note, but having established the precedent he could not very well object if the government took steps to compel him to pay up. It might save Mr. Pinder some embarrassment if the matter were disposed of before the approaching meeting of the Legislature. Having got the horse and had the use of it for some years Mr. Pinder ought not to be unwilling to surrender at least a small portion of his kingdom in payment of it.

Although the Flemming government had a record breaking revenue last year they found it necessary to call upon the various municipalities to make a further contribution towards the support of the provincial hospital. The new law went into effect on January 1st. Under the old law the parishes had to pay for the support of harmless patients at the rate of \$1.25 per week. Under the new law they must contribute one dollar a week for the support of all patients. It means an extra tax of from \$1200 to \$1500 per year on the parishes of York County which have patients in the provincial hospital. How will the economical County councillors of York relish this dose?

The country now known as Persia formed part, at various times, of a much greater kingdom and about five hundred years before the beginning of the Christian era it was included in a mighty empire extending from Asia Minor and Syria to the Indies.

At the beginning of the sixteenth century the king of Portugal was officially styled "Lord of the conquest, navigation and commerce of India, Ethiopia, Arabia and Persia." Today Portugal has no king, its colonial possessions are comparatively insignificant and its foreign commerce of small extent.

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Detroit claims to manufacture more overalls than any other American city. Its annual output of overalls, coats, trousers and gloves is worth approximately ten million dollars.

The majority of the inhabitants of Nicaragua are of mixed blood, descendants of the Spanish settlers and the native Indians and of the Indians and negroes imported by the Spanish colonists.

In the extreme north of Norway the sun is above the horizon continuously from May to July and even in the extreme southern part of the country there is no darkness from April to August.

Under the provisions of the constitution of Paraguay, the president of the republic is elected for four years and is ineligible for office for eight consecutive years after the expiration of his term.

The provincial public works department expended nearly \$400,000 last year for roads and bridges. The condition of the roads would seem to indicate that the major portion of it was spent on bridges.

The Flemming government worked a fine game of bluff on the farmers last year. They put \$60000 in the estimates for agriculture, but only expended \$40000 of it for that purpose.

Under Flemming rule it costs more money to pay the interest on the public debt than it does to administer the educational system of the province.

It is said that the time-ball of the famous Greenwich Observatory has never been wrong except one day in 1873, when it was about half a second late.

Montana's estimated production of ore since mining became an industry in the state, in 1862, is estimated at nearly one and three-quarters billions of dollars.

S. A. COMMISSIONER IS IMPROVING

Toronto, Jan. 6.—Commissioner David M. Rees, head of the Salvation Army in Canada, has made a most marvelous recovery from the serious illness which befell him about ten weeks ago. Since then his many personal friends, the members, as well as the admirers of the organization he represents, have watched his progress with eager and anxious concern. Many churches throughout the Dominion united with the Salvation Army in offering special prayer for his recovery. They will now be glad to learn that the Commissioner is able to leave his room and acting upon the advice of his physicians, will take further treatment at a sanitarium. Messages of sympathy have reached Commissioner Rees and his family from all parts of Canada, including all classes of people. For these, they desire herewith to convey their sincere appreciation and gratitude.

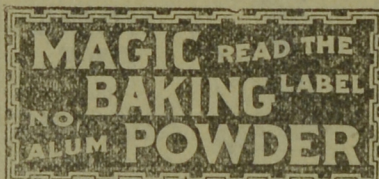
DR. CLARK, PLEASED WITH NOVA SCOTIA

Sydney, N. S., Jan. 3—"I am sorry I did not stay in Nova Scotia, instead of going west," said Dr. Michael Clark, M. P. for Red Deer (Alta.), in an interview here today. I believe I could come to Nova Scotia and make as great a success of farming here as in western Canada. Your country is much like the lowlands of Scotland."

The doctor, too, is pleased with the open hearted way the people of Cape Breton provided for his hospitality. "Talk of hospitality of the Highlands of Scotland," he said. "Your people here have it improved on by twenty five per cent."

Dr. Clark has just come from Antigonish, where, as he himself said, he had addressed one of the most delightful audiences he had ever seen gathered together in Canada. "The balcony was filled with beautiful women and the main hall was packed with the men of the place, who, though they did not enthuse wildly, listened to the address with strict attention, and I realized that I had a critical audience to talk to. It pleased me greatly and I was convinced that they would weigh the matter carefully."

Dr. Clark addressed a meeting at Glace Bay on Saturday, his speech being along the lines of those already delivered in the province. There was a good attendance for the most part of intelligent miners and if they were not convinced by Dr. Clark's free trade arguments they listened with evident pleasure to his fine delivery.



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