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The Fredericton graft organ which has of late manifested a deep interest in agricultural matters, says:

"In his remarks to the farmers and dairymen of the province last night Mayor Mitchell advised them that mixed farming was the most desirable line to follow. His Whip had evidently again been prompted by some practical joker, for every man knows that nothing else but mixed farming has ever been practised in this province."

It is to be presumed that His Worship was addressing his remarks to practical farmers, and not to amateurs who store potatoes on the barn floor during the winter season and who are under the impression that mixed farming means mixing turnips and pigweed together as one crop.

To read the report of the proceedings of the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association as published in the Fredericton graft organ one would never know that the proposed increase of seven and one half per cent. in the duty on fertilizers had been condemned by several of the speakers. Even the statement of Hon. J. A. Murray, Minister of Agriculture, that he had protested by letter and telegram to the authorities at Ottawa against the proposed increase was carefully expunged from the organ's report. The graft organ is a political hack first, last and all the time and cares nothing for the interests of the farmers so long as it can draw \$20,000 a year from the public treasury.

At the meeting of the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association on Monday evening, Hon. J. A. Murray, the Minister of Agriculture, placed himself on record as being opposed to the increase of seven and one half per cent. in the duty on fertilizer. Mr. Murray takes a sensible view of the matter. Here is the government at Ottawa urging the farmers to increase their output while it turns around and puts a tax of seven and one half per cent. on their raw material. The best way to stimulate agriculture in this country is to lower or remove the duties from what the farmer has to buy and give him a larger market for his produce.

Mr. A. C. Fawcett in a letter to the Sackville Tribune, quoted Mr. J. B. Daggett, Secretary for Agriculture, as stating at a public meeting recently "that the farmers of New Brunswick had not reached an ordinary standard of business morality, that instead of going to work and depending upon themselves they are willing and looking to the government for support in the way of rebates and bonuses." This coming from a man who is making a living at the expense of the farmers, is certainly very flattering and it should have due recognition from the gentlemen now assembled in convention here.

About the only "alien" the government and Legislature has to fear during the approaching session is Mr. A. R. Gould of Valley Railway fame. He pulled off a successful raid on the treasury last year, and it is doubtful if the armed sentries will be able to keep him out on this occasion. He still has some valuable accomplices working for him on the inside.

The Fredericton Experimental Farm which the members of the F. and D. Association visited today should be some farm judging by the amount of public money invested therein. Last year according to the Dominion Auditor General's report, it cost the country \$90,000 and the revenue derived from it was \$2,000.

Although Hon. Mr. Murray said some nice things in his address to the Farmers' and Dairymen's convention here, he omitted to state why in a year of plenty forty thousand barrels of potatoes purchased by the provincial government as a patriotic gift to the Empire, had cost over \$90,000.

Some of the government supporters in the Legislature use to say that a session of the House without Mr. Kidd Fleming would be like the play of Hamlet with Hamlet left out. The legislature meets tomorrow and the chances are that Fleming will not be on the job. His place in the government has been taken by a gentleman by the name of Baxter who we are informed possesses a wealth of knowledge of military matters.

It will be a matter for great surprise if the provincial government does not impose some kind of a war tax during the session of the Legislature which opens tomorrow. The present government has always displayed great ingenuity in devising new schemes for taxing the people and will not let this opportunity slip by.

It is stated that the cargo of New Brunswick potatoes condemned at Boston because of powdery scab was enroute to Cuba. Can it be that this shipment was part of the overplus purchased by Mr. J. B. Daggett for patriotic purposes.

Tory politicians in high places seem to be firmly of the opinion that the only way the farmer can be made rich and prosperous is by taxation.

The increased duty on fertilizers and agricultural implements is not a war tax. It is a case of soaking the farmer for the benefit of other classes.

ON THE SIDE

Perhaps it is the high cost of living rather than the high cost of dying, that will bring the war to an end.

What looks to be a wall flower in society sometimes proves to be a daisy in the home.

Of course it is also the first robin if it is the first one you happen to see.

There seems to be as much doubt about the breadth of the war as the length.

Like those of other reactionaries, the efforts of winter to come back have been feeble and unavailing.

Looks as if the European Turkey were going to be sent over to Asia to roost.

That name Przasnysk, that the German first gain and then lose, sounds like a thing that would be hard to hold on to.

GUBERNATORIAL RECEPTION TO OFFICERS TONIGHT

Large Number Expected--Changes in Seating Arrangement at House--Opening Tomorrow

Upwards of twenty-five officers are expected to be present at the reception to be given at the Queen Hotel tonight by His Honor the Lieutenant Governor. Ten officers of the 26th Battalion, now in St. John, and four from the Army Service Corps, in the same place, are expected. Five officers of the 62nd St. John Fusiliers are expected and one from St. Stephen. Mrs. F. B. Black of Sackville, will receive with the Lieutenant Governor, who will be attended by Wm. Cruikshank, private secretary. Admission to the House at the opening ceremony tomorrow afternoon will be by ticket. Clerk Assistant Diblee has issued a large number of tickets and also a number of invitations to places upon the floor of the House. Sergeant-at-Arms Rutter has announced that only the front door of the building and the door leading to the Ladies' Gallery will be open to admit the public to the opening ceremony, which is to begin at three o'clock.

The retirement of J. Kidd Fleming from the legislature and the election of B. Frank Smith for Carleton, have necessitated changes in the seating arrangement in the Chamber. Premier Clarke will take the seat vacated by Mr. Fleming. Hon. J. B. M. Baxter will remove from the second row to the seat in the first row formerly occupied by Premier Clarke. Dr. O. B. Price of Moncton, will remove from the opposition side of the House to the seat formerly occupied by Hon. Mr. Baxter and B. Frank Smith will take the seat vacated by Dr. Price.

The telegraph offices will be located where they were before and little change has been made in other arrangements.

It is reported today that Major General Rutherford has informed Attorney General Baxter that he can spare but two sentries for duty at the House.

A CHILD'S LAXATIVE

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If your little one's tongue is coated, it is a sure sign the stomach liver and bowels need a gentle, thorough cleansing at once. When your child is cross, peevish, listless, pale doesn't sleep, eat or act naturally, if breath is bad, stomach sour, system full of cold, throat sore, or if feverish, give a teaspoonful of Laxative Syrup of Figs, and in a few hours all the clogged-up constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food will gently move out of the bowels and you have a well, playful child again.

Sick children needn't be coaxed to take this harmless "fruit laxative." Millions of mothers keep it handy because they know its action on the stomach, liver and bowels is prompt and sure. They also know a little given to-day saves a sick child to-morrow.

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ASSAULT CASE

(Continued from page eight.)

Scott got on his feet and said he would not let him take Craigie out of the restaurant. Marshall goes further and says Scott took a step toward him.

MAGISTRATE'S OPINION

"In my opinion Scott should either have assisted Marshall or have let him alone. Marshall drew his baton against Craigie. There is no evidence that Marshall struck at Scott but he did say he would use his baton. While there may be a technical assault it is not of such nature as to warrant a conviction and Mr. Scott should think himself fortunate in not finding himself the defendant in an action for interfering with an officer in the discharge of his duty. In view of these facts I dismiss the case."

LOCAL NEWS

FINISHED WORK.

Mr. R. L. Young of Taymouth, has finished his lumbering operations on the Taxis River for the Miramichi Lumber Company. His season's cut is three million feet.

UNFAVORABLE DEVELOPMENT

The injury to William J. Masters of the 55th Battalion who was assaulted and bitten in the face by John Craigie of the same corps a short time ago has become worse and is now compelled to have the wounds treated several times each day.

NAME OMITTED

In a list of names of officers of the 71st York Regt. who are on overseas service, which has appeared in several newspapers the name of Lieut. T. R. McNally was omitted.

GAVE UP HIS STRIPES

A despatch to the Montreal Star mentions the fact that Fred Wade of the 12th Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force, recently gave evidence on a case at the Old Bailey, London. Wade who belongs to Penniac told the presiding judge that he had given up his sergeant's stripes in the 12th Battalion for an opportunity to go to France with a draft of seventeen privates selected from his company.

TOOK MOTHER'S ADVICE.

Some time ago a party named Brown married a pretty little thing and after the usual honeymoon the young couple settled down to house-keeping. Little wife wasn't much of a cook but she managed fairly well on the matter of boiling eggs and frying potatoes and hubby didn't grumble.

"Harry, dear," happily remarked wife when hubby returned from the office one evening. "I have been baking a pie for you. I want you to come and see it."

"Why, so you have," responded Harry, hastening to the kitchen and taking a critical look at the pastry. "But what in the deuce is the matter with it? The crust doesn't half cover it!"

"Of course it doesn't, silly," smilingly returned the young wife. "Your mother told me how to make the pie and she particularly said you like the crust very short."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Anyway Fredericton has a girl who is not afraid to use a revolver.

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PERSONAL

J. J. Renout of Montreal, is a guest at the Barker House.

Chas. V. Pickard of Millville, is in the city.

Mrs. G. J. Clarke of St. Stephen, arrived here today. She is at the Barker House.

O. M. Melanson, M.P.P., is at the Barker House.

W. B. Chandler of Moncton, is in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Douglass of Stanley, are at the Barker House.

A.B. Connell, K.C., of Woodstock, is in the city.

M. L. Savage of Calgary, is at the Queen.

Mrs. F. B. Black of Sackville, is registered at the Queen.

Miss Allison and Miss Fawcett of Sackville, are guests at the Queen.

R. G. Murray of St. John, arrived in the city last night. He is at the Queen.

Edward Hogan of St. John, is in the city.

O. V. Kennedy of St. George, is a guest at the Queen.

Mr. Joseph Norrad of Bloomfield Ridge, is in the city today.

Foy Scout Movement

All citizens interested in the Boy Scout Movement, and particularly in the formation of a Local Council in Fredericton are hereby requested to meet in the City Council Chamber on Friday evening next 12th inst. at 8 o'clock, to receive and take action upon the report of the Committee appointed at a meeting held on the 16th of November last to make arrangements for the selection of a Scoutmaster and perfecting of necessary organization.

MOSES MITCHELL,

Mayor

HOT WATER BOTTLES

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