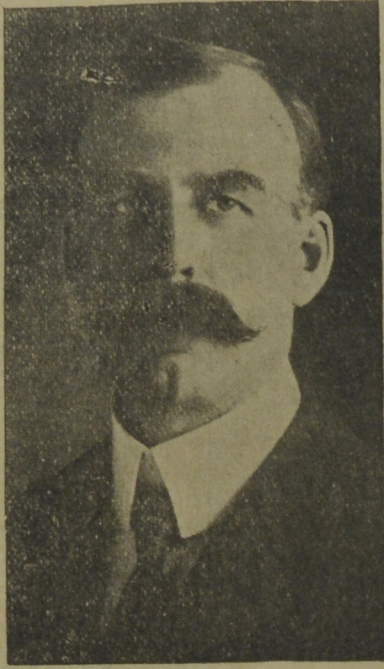


THE NEW SOLICITOR GENERAL.

Hon. F. J. Sweeney Sworn into Office this
Morning—Westmorland Bye-election
December 27.



HON. FRANCIS J. SWEENEY,
Solicitor General of New Brunswick.

At a meeting of the Local Government last evening, Hon. Francis J. Sweeney, of Westmorland, was given the appointment of solicitor general, vacated some time ago by the resignation of Hon. H. A. McKeown. Hon. Mr. Sweeney has for nearly two years been a member of the government without portfolio, and his promotion will be hailed with delight by his host of friends throughout the province.

The new solicitor general was sworn into office by Lieutenant Governor Snowball at the executive council chamber at nine o'clock this morning, in the presence of the other members of the executive. Mr. J. Howe Dickson, clerk of the executive council, administered the oath, and at the conclusion of the ceremony the new solicitor general was warmly congratulated by his colleagues.

The acceptance of office by Hon. Mr. Sweeney necessitates a new election for Westmorland, and the writ for the same was issued today by the clerk of the crown in chancery.

GREAT LIBERAL VICTORY.

P. E. Island Government Sustained in
General Election Capturing 21 of the
30 Seats.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 8.—In the general provincial elections yesterday the Liberals won by an overwhelming majority. So far as is known twenty-one Liberals and nine Conservatives are elected, but special votes may increase the Liberal majority.

Prince County has gone solidly Liberal, returning ten members, in some cases by largely increased majorities.

Queens County returns eight Liberals and two Conservatives and Kings three Liberals and seven Conservatives.

Charlottetown was practically a landslide for the government, Warburton and Hughes taking the largest majorities ever known in the city.

The leader of the government narrowly escaped defeat, having only six votes to spare, and special votes may make his seat still more precarious.

Cummiskey, commissioner of public works, is seven votes behind, but special votes may put him in.

The election was one of the most exciting held in this province and both parties worked hard, fine weather and good roads bringing out a large vote.

Mr Charles E Neill, of Montreal, inspector of the Royal Bank, and Mrs Neill are spending a few days here the guests of Mr Neill's parents, Mr and Mrs J S Neill.

Nomination will take place on December 20th, and polling one week later.

Hon. Francis J. Sweeney was born of Irish Catholic parents at Melrose, Westmorland County, New Brunswick on April 21, 1862. He was educated in the common schools, at Shediac Grammar school, and at St. Joseph's College, Memramcook. For a time he attended the Normal School and taught some years in St. Malachi's hall, St. John, with much success.

He studied law in St. John and practices at Moncton. He has filled the offices of referee in equity and police and stipendiary magistrate for the city of Moncton.

He entered public life in February, 1903, when he was elected to the legislature in Westmorland, and entered the Tweedie government without portfolio a few weeks later at the opening of the legislature session of that year.

The solicitor general is a Liberal, a Roman Catholic and a bachelor.

NEWSBOYS MAKE MERRY.

Half a Hundred of Them Pleasantly
Entertained by the King's Daughters.

The newsboys of the city and their companions, to the number of about fifty, had a very merry time at the Y. M. C. A. hall last evening, as the guests of the Ministering Circle of King's Daughters. They were entertained to music and games, and afterwards sat down to a substantial repast served by the ladies of the circle.

The affair was a grand success in every way and the little news vendors greatly appreciated the kindly interest shown in their behalf by the good ladies of the order.

Among those who had to do with the affair were Mrs. F. P. Thompson, Mrs. John A. Morrison, Mrs. R. Aiken, Mrs. D. Lee Babbitt, Mrs. F. W. Barbour, Mrs. L. C. Macnab, Miss Edith Gregory, Mrs. O. H. Sharp, Miss Crookshank, the Misses Babbitt, Mrs. C. M. Manning, Mrs. J. W. Bridges and Mrs. H. E. West.

Prior to the supper a short musical program was carried out, those taking part being Mrs. Sharp, Miss Crookshank and the Misses Babbitt. A barrel of choice apples was distributed among the boys, and everything was done to make them feel thoroughly at home.

The bill of fare consisted of coffee, cake, sandwiches, doughnuts and other edibles, which appeal strongly to the appetite of the small boy, and it is needless to say the repast was attacked and disposed of with great relish.

The pleasant gathering dispersed about ten o'clock and before leaving the hall each boy was made the recipient of a pair of well-earned mitts.

In connection with the affair the

Herald has been asked to publish the following:

Fredericton, Dec. 8, 1904.

The Daily Herald newsboys wish to express their heartfelt thanks to the ladies of the Ministering Circle of King's Daughters for so kindly entertaining them last evening.

ROY BREWER,

Signed on behalf of The Herald boys.

A New Bridge.

The department of public works is calling for tenders for rebuilding Munroe's bridge, over the Nashwaak River, near Taymouth. The tenders close on Tuesday December 27th.

A special train left Ottawa yesterday afternoon for Halifax with the official party and a number of others who desired to attend the swearing in ceremony of Earl Grey. Hon. R. W. Scott, Hon. Wm. Paterson, and Justice Sedgewick and Justice Kilham were among the party. Hon. R. W. Scott, Hon. Wm. Paterson, and will represent the premier, and Justice Sedgewick and Justice Kilham will administer the oath of office.

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