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BACK TO PARLIAMENT.

Mr. Borden's return to parliament seems to have been unmarked by any unusual incident, and this was probably in keeping with that gentleman's well known modesty. There is one point about the Conservative leader that everybody admires, and it is that he is not given to the spectacular, either in public or private life.

We have no doubt all the Liberals in the House were glad to see Mr. Borden, for his presence there means that the dignity of parliament and its debates will be kept up to a high standard so far as he can control the matter.

On arrival at his seat Mr. Borden found, besides other floral welcomes, a very nice bouquet from the Liberal members, and Sir Wilfrid spoke a few words to the same end.

Mr. Borden, in reply, facetiously observed that he was a little later in arriving than he intended, but believed he was entitled to the sympathy of the premier, who once had an experience of that kind, referring to Sir Wilfrid's defeat in Arthabaska in 1877—when he entered the Mackenzie government.

Mr. Borden should find his work in this parliament a little easier than in the last. He has Mr. Foster as financial critic of the government, a business he had to undertake mostly himself during the past four years.

ONTARIO'S NEW GOVERNMENT.

Mr. Whitney's Cabinet is composed of four lawyers, three doctors, two manufacturers and one farmer. No business man has a place in the cabinet, and the farmers, who compose the majority of the members in the legislature are represented by one man. Six of the cabinet are Anglicans, two are Roman Catholics, one a Presbyterian and one a Methodist. The complete list with the portfolios is as follows:

Premier and Attorney General, Hon. J. P. Whitney.
Treasurer, Hon. A. J. Matheson.
Secretary, Hon. W. J. Hanna.
Education, Hon. Dr. Pyne.
Agriculture, Hon. N. Monteith.
Public Works, Hon. Dr. Rheume.
Crown Lands, Hon. J. J. Foy.
Without Portfolio, Hon. Dr. Wiloughby, Hon. Adam Beck and Hon. J. S. Hendrie.

Mr. Foy represents the Irish Roman Catholics and Dr. Rheume the French Canadians, Hon. J. W. St. John will be speaker of the legislature.

Mr. Whitney, who was given a rousing reception at Massey Hall, Toronto, last night, will have to make immediate preparation for the meeting of the legislature, in which Hon. G. W. Ross, the ex-premier will lead the opposition.

Hon. S. N. Parent's days as Premier of Quebec are numbered. The bolting ministers, Gouin, Weir and Turgeon, held a caucus of their supporters yesterday, at which fifty-three members of the new legislature were present, and forty-six of them, a majority of the House, signed a round robin demanding Parent's resignation, which may come before he is defeated by an adverse vote in the House. At the caucus of legislative supporters called by the Premier only eleven men put in an appearance.

A peculiar condition has arisen in Nova Scotia. The legislature was to have opened today, but Mr. Farrell, one of the members for Queens, who is to be the new speaker, is snowed up on his way to Halifax, and the opening had to be postponed. Probably the circumstance is without parallel.

Mr. E. M. Farrell, who is to be elected speaker of the Nova Scotia legislature, is a native of Newcastle, Northumberland County.

The Furness Line Steamer Damara reported lost near Halifax, sank in ten fathoms of water, but all her officers, crew and passengers are safe. The ship was eight miles off her course when the wreck occurred.

Friends of the local government in Northumberland County are to meet Monday evening to select a candidate for the vacant seat in the legislature.

THE WATER SYSTEM.

Some Information Gleaned from Supt. Burchill's Report.

The annual report of the superintendent of water works submitted to the City Council at the last meeting contains a lot of information of interest to the ratepayers. Mr. Burchill suggests that in order to facilitate the collection of water rates that two per cent. should be added to the amount due at the expiration of sixty days. He also suggests that a competent man should be permanently employed to look after the tapping of mains, the laying of service pipes and the keeping of the hydrants in order. He could also collect the water rents and assist at the pumping station when required. The total number of imperial gallons of water pumped last year was 232,655,635 or an average of 635,671 for every twenty-four hours. In the year 1900 the quantity pumped was 180,247,383 or an average of 493,828 gallons per day. This shows a substantial increase in four years. The receipts and expenditures of the department during the year was as follows:

RECEIPTS	
Rated water permits to Nov. 1.....	\$ 8,043 86
Metered permits.....	841 70
Meter rent.....	41 00
Hose permits.....	183 00
Special permits.....	47 30
Delinquents.....	1453 10
City Departments.....	683 75
Coal etc. for Hospital dynamo.....	575 00
Receipts for Nov. and Dec.....	2396 09
Total.....	\$14,264 10

EXPENDITURES.	
Repairs.....	\$ 351 68
Oil and water.....	65 57
Packing.....	50 76
Coal.....	2472 88
Salaries.....	1500 81
Contingencies.....	234 71
New mains.....	709
Castings.....	79 80
Services.....	364 16
Maintenance.....	6,692 68
Total.....	\$12,522 44

THE ASSESSMENT LAW.

People's Bank Petition Discussed at a Joint Meeting.

The committee appointed by the city council at the last meeting to deal with the petition of the People's Bank, asking for a reduction of taxation, held a conference at the city clerk's office last evening with members of the bank's directorate. Those present were Mayor Palmer, Alds. Farrell, Everett and Barbour, City Clerk McCready, members of the committee, and Messrs. A. H. F. Randolph, George N. Babbitt and W. G. Clark, representing the bank.

Messrs. Randolph and Babbitt strongly supported the petition, and contended that the present assessment law favored the branch banks, and was most unfair to the institution represented by them. They were asked a number of questions by the committee, one of which was, if they would favor the taxing of individual stockholders, instead of assessing the bank on the whole amount of its capital stock. The reply was that the matter had not been fully considered by them.

The committee promised to give the petition of the bank very careful consideration, and submit a report to the council in the near future.

Several aldermen interviewed on the subject, expressed the opinion that the petition of the People's Bank was likely to result in an increase of taxation for the branch banks, but they were not inclined to think that the People's Bank would come in for much of a reduction.



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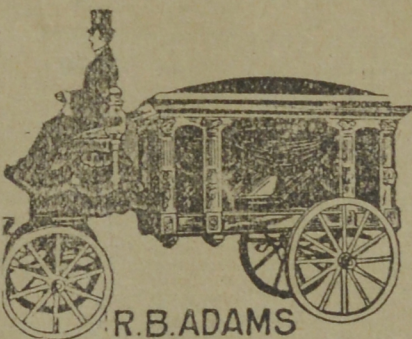
Saturdays—10 a. m. to 1 p. m.



SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for North Head Breakwater and Wharf," will be received at this office until Saturday, March 4, 1905, inclusively, for the construction of a breakwater and wharf at North Head, Grand Manan, Charlotte County, N. B., according to a plan and specification to be seen at the offices of E. T. P. Sweeney, Esq., Resident Engineer, St. John, N. B., Geoffrey Stead, Esq., Resident Engineer, Chatham, N. B., and C. E. W. Dodwell, Esq., Resident Engineer, Halifax, N. S., on application to the Postmaster at North Head, N. B., and at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa. Tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed form supplied, and signed with the actual signatures of tenderers. An accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, for four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4,500.00), must accompany each tender. The cheque will be forfeited if the party tendering declines the contract or fails to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender. The cheque will be paid each tender. The cheque will be paid by the Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,
FRED. GELINAS,
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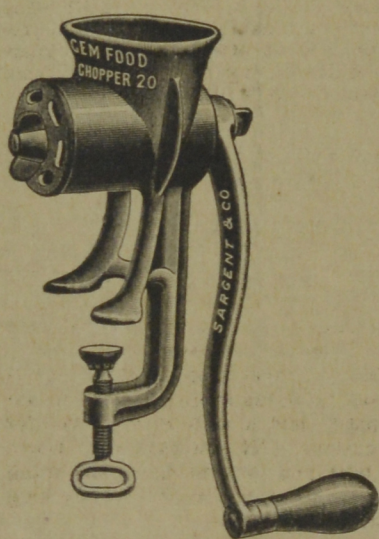
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