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TWEEDIE'S THE NEW GOVERNOR.

Notified at Ottawa Today of His Appointment and Leaves for Fredericton This Afternoon---Sketch of His Career.

Ottawa, March 2.—(Special)—Premier Tweedie has been notified of his appointment to the governorship of New Brunswick and will leave for Fredericton tonight.

The order in counsel was passed this afternaon.

Ottawa, March 2.—A lieutenant governor for the province of New Brunswick in the place of the late Governor Snowball will be appointed today.

The new governor will be Premier Tweedie. While there is no official statement to this effect everything points that way.

If this turns out correct, as it is almost certain it will, it is then believed Attorney General Pugsley will succeed Premier Tweedie in the premiership.

Premier Tweedie and Attorney General Pugsley arrived here yesterday afternoon.

They were sent for by Sir Wilfrid Laurier to discuss the vacancy. As they arrived they met Mr. Emmerson and afterwards interviewed the Premier.

Last night they met the Minister of Railways in his room at the House of Commons and they retired to discuss the question.

Ottawa, March 2.—(Special)— The cabinet is now in session and before it adjourns for the day, Premier Tweedie will be the Lt. Governor of New Brunswick.

Messrs. Tweedie and Pugsley had an interview with Sir Wilfrid Laurier this morning.

Dr. Pugsley will be, as a matter of course premier in the place of Mr. Tweedie.

HON. LEMUEL J. TWEEDIE.

Today Appointed Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick.

LONG PUBLIC CAREER.

New Governor Has Been in Public Life Almost Continuously Since 1874.

Hon. Lemuel J. Tweedie, the new lieutenant governor of New Brunswick, is anative of Chatham, son of the late Rev. Mr. Tweedie, a Methodist clergyman.

He was born in 1849, and is therefore 58 years old.

After securing a liberal education in the schools of his native town and at the Presbyterian college, Mr. Tweedie entered upon the study of law, was admitted to the New Brunswick bar in 1871, agd has for many years occupied a leading position in his profession.

In 1874 he was elected to the legislature from Northumberland, but was defeated in 1875 and did not reappear in the political arena until 1886, when he was again returned to the assembly and acted with the opposition to the Blair government.

In 1890 he headed a Northumberland opposition ticket, fighting the government principally on the stumpage question and he and his colleagues carried the county. Shortly afterwards the government reduced the stumpage, in response to the Northumberland verdict and Mr. Tweedie entered the ministry as surveyor general, consummating what was afterwards known as as "the Northumberland Deal" and his constituency endorsed his action by re-electing him by acclamation. Mr. Tweedie continued as surveyor general until 1896 when he became provincial secretary in the Mitchell ministry, a position he has held ever since.

On the retirement of Hon. H. R. Emmerson from the premiership in 1900, Mr. Tweedie became premier, and successfully piloted the government through the general election of 1903. although narrowly escaping personal defeat in Northumberland his three colleagues in the county meeting a reverse.

Mr. Tweedie now voluntarily relinquishes the premiership to accept the higher honor of the lieutenant governorship, and will receive the hearty congratulations of his numerous friends throughout the province.

Governor Tweedie's wife, who will share with him in the honors of his new position, was formerly Miss Loudoun, daughter of the late Alexander Loudoun of Chatham, and a sister of Auditor General Loudoun. They have a large family, the eldest of whom is Mr. Fred M. Tweedie, C. E., and their eldest daughter is the wife of Mr. Stewart Benson, who comes to Fredericton next week as manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia.

The new governor in religion is a Presbyterian, and is prominently connected with St. Andrew's Church, Chatham.

He will reach here on Monday at noon from Ottawa, accompanied by Hon. Dr. Pugsley, who will immediately assume ehe premiership.

WOODSTOCK SCORCHED.

Dozen Stores Destroyed and N. B. Telephone Company Put Out of Business---Fire Threatened Entire Business Section.

Woodstock, March 2.—A fire which broke out here about midnight, threat ened the entire business section of Woodstock. It practically destroyed nearly a dozen stores.

oom from a bowling alley, while ov- Palm Gardens, in which were a pool ison's insurance office, Miss Camerbead was a vacant tenement, and it is the firm belief of many that it was the work of an incendiary.

Fanned by a high wind the flames spread rapidly to the buildings in the mmediate vicinity, and before they ould be checked that entire portion of the block had been laid in ruios. The places wiped out were Sullivan's Palm Gardens, Steven and Haven's grocery, Lilley's meat market, G.W. Gibson's tailor shop and gents furnishing establishment, G. H. Harrisoo's insurance office, Miss Camber's millinery store, Dent's bakery and the New Brunswick telephone exchange. All are a total loss.

The Carlisle Hotel, which was directly in the path of the flames, caught twice, but by great efforts on the part of the firemen, the building was saved. The wind was blowing directly on to the post office, and it was feared that that building will also be destroyed.

LATER.

Woodstock, N. B., March 2.—Fire broke out about 11.30 last night in the building occupied by Sullivan Bros., pool room and bowling alley, on Main Street, next to the Carlisle Hotel and burned the wooden block extending to the post office, destroying seven buildings, all of which were occupied.

The buildings burned were Sullivan Bros,' pool and bowling alley, occupied upstairs by Mrs. Fisher's dwelling Stevens and Hayden's grocery, occupied upstairs by Free Baptist Club Room; Lilley's meat market, occupied upstairs by Mrs. Baker's millinery store; the G. W. Gibson Co. building, occupied on the ground floor by the G. W. Gibson Co., tailoring and gents' furnishing store, and G. H. Harrison's insurance office and up stairs by Mrs. Hayden's dressmaking and millinery establishment and the N. B. Telephone Exchange and the Dent building, occupied by Mrs. Comben and the Dent bakery upstairs.

The fire was discovered well under way on the Sullivan building and fanned by a southwest wind rapidly enveloped the whole block. The efforts of the fire department were confined to keeping it within the block. The Carlisle Hotel caught fire on the roof, but was quickly exeinguished and for a time Gallagher's livery stable was thought to be in danger. The buildings were a total loss, but much of the stock was saved.

The loss is estimated at twenty-five thousand dollars, of which fifteen thousand is covered by insurance.

The telephone exchange and fixtures were totally destroyed and the town will be without telephone service for a week.

At one time a rumor was circulated that the fire was of incendiary origin, but this was later discredited and it is probably due purely to accident.

At 2.30 this morning the fire was under control.

LOSSES AND INSURANCE.

Wm. Lilley, loss $1,300, insurance, $700.

Sullivan's loss, $2,700, insurance on uilding.

Gibson Co., $2,700 on building $1,000 on stock.

Mrs. Nevers', $1,500 on building, $500 on furniture.

Harrison & Winslow, no insurance.

Total loss $25,000, Insurance $11,000.

Stevens & Hayden have secured quarters in the building formerly occupied by T. S. Atherton on King street, and the Y. M. C. A. will be up stairs in the same building.

Wm. Lilley, has secured quarters in Corkery's store across the street.

George Gibson Co. are in their former building on Queen street.

It required a desperate effort to save the Carlisle Hotel and Gallagher Bros. stables.

Hose was kept on the latter until seven o'clock this morning.

A large part of the goods rescued have gone astray or have been toler.

The large plate glass windows in heasgreen's drug store and H. G. Nobles' store across from the fire were cracked with the heat.

SACKVILLE LADY'S DEATH.

Sackville, N. B., March 2.—(Special)—The death took place here today about noon, of Mrs. Fawcett, wife of the veteran stove manufacturer, Charles Fawcett.

She was very ill early in December eing operated upon in St. John and bout a week ago she fell down tairs, sustaining injuries which resulted in her death. She was 61 years old. The funeral takes place on Monday afternoon.

OLD TIMES RECALLED.

A Glance Into the Local News of Fredericton Twenty-six Years Ago.

(From Farmer Files, March 3rd., 1881.)

MARYSVILLE DEATH.

Mrs. Gibson, mother of Alexander Gibson, Sr., died at her residence, Marysville on Monday aged seventy-nine years.

RECOVERED.

Hon. B. R. Stevenson, speaker of the house of assembly, has quite recovered from his recent illness and resumed his duties.

PARLOR CONCERT.

A very successful parlor concert was held at Linden Hall, Mr. George E. Fenety's residence, last week, in aid of the funds for the proposed church hall. The amount realized was upwards of seventy dollars.

A NEW PROPRIETOR.

Mr. John J. Weddall has purchased the dry goods stock and business of the late Mr. Thomas Logan, and will continue in the old stand. Mr. Weddall has had an extended experience in the dry goods business and under stands it thoroughly. We bespeak for him a good patronage and wish him every success.

DANCE AND SUPPER.

The social dance and supper in the Masonic hall on Monday eveaing passed off very pleasantly. About forty couples were present and engaged in dancing until a late hour, Excellent music was furnished by an orchestra composed of Prof. Cadwallader, violin; Mr. J. H. Williamson, cornet, and Mr. Charles Hawthorn, piano. The supper gotten up by Mr. John E. Perks was quite worthy of that gentleman's reputation and was heartily enjoyed.

PLEASANT FUNCTION.

The evening party given at the Barker House last evening by members of the legislature was the social event of the season. There were over two hundred guests present, more than half of whom engaged in dancing in the large dining hall, which was neatly festooned with flags. Music was furnished by an orchestra composed of Prof. Cadwallader, J. H. Williamson and Charles Hawthorn, The committee in charge were: Messrs. Hill, Jones, Ritchie, Gillespie, Robinson, McLellan and Killam. Hon. Mr. Jones and Mr. Ritchie acted as floor managers. (Of the gentlemen mentioned only Messrs. Hill, Ritchie, and Killam are living. The first mentioned is still a member of the legislature, Mr. Ritchie is the police magistrate of St. John, and Mr. Killam is bridge inspector for the Intercolonial Railway.

AN ASSEMBLY DIVISION.

The vote in the House of Assembly on Mr. Blair's non-confidence resolution calling for abolition of the legislative council, Government House, the governor's private secretary and reduction in other departments, was defeated last night on the following vote:

Yeas—Blair, Covert, Willis, Gillespie, Hutchison, Sayre, Thompson, Ryan, Barberie, Dr. C. A. Black, Killam, Vail, Cotterell, White, Ritchie. —15. (Of this number Hutchinson, Thompson, Barberie, Killam, White, and Ritchie are living.)

Nays—Fraser, Wedderburn, Landry, Hanington, Marshall, Perley, Adams, McManus, Kenny, Davidson, Turner, Lewis, Elder, McLellan, Lynott, Hill, Morton, Butler, Woods, Colter, Leighton, Beveridge, Theriault—24. (Of this number Landry, Hanington, Hill, Johnson, Lewis, Butler and Colter are still living. Messrs. Johnson and Hill are still members of the legislature.)

MR. COVERT'S SUDDEN DEATH.

Member for Sunbury Found Dead in His Room at the Queen Hotel.

The community was startled this forenoon to hear that Mr. John S. Covert, M. P. P. for Sunbury, and a prominent member of the opposition in the assembly, had been found dead in his room at the Queen Hotel. Mr. Covert was in his usual good health yesterday afternoon, and delivered one of the most vigorous speeches he has ever given in the house. Shortly after closing his address he complained of feeling badly in the chest, He took his tea as usual, but a few minutes later complained to Mr. Gillespie in the latter's room, and requested to see a physician. Dr. Gregory was summoned and prescribed and Mr. Gillespie left the sick man and went to the House at 7.30 thinking that he would be all right. At 9.30 Mr. Covert went to the House to vote with his party on the non-confidence resolution, to which reference is made elsewhere, and an hour later returned to the Queen Hotel and occupied Mr. Gillespie's room. That gentleman spent most of the night until midnight with Mr. Covert and apprehended no danger.

Mr. Covert retired at that time, and shortly afterwards was asleep, and apparently resting well. The porter of the Hotel was the first to see him in the morning on going to Mr. Covert's room at six a. m. to start a fire. Mr. Covert said that he felt badly, and asked for a cloth saturated with kerosene oil to put on his breast. Mr. Gillespie visited him at nine o'clock and left feeling that he would be all right and able to attend the House today. Mr. Joha A. Edwards of the hotel, was the last person to see Mr. Covert alive, fifteen minutes before he died, and then he took a cup of coffee, appeared very much better and in no danger. Ten minutes before ten o'clock Mr. Gillespie went to get his coat, and was shocked to find the lifeless body of Mr. Covert lying on the floor, face downwards. Drs. Gregory, Vail and Lewis shortly arrived and pronounced heart disease the cause of death. When the news of the sad event reached the House it immediately adjourned on motion of Mr. Hill, and an expression of sadness was shown on every countenance.

Mr. Covert was born at Maugerville in 1829, and was, therefore, fifty-two years of age. He was first elected to the legislature in 1868, and has represented Sunbury ever since. He was leader of the opposition during the last term of the legislature, and was succeeded by Mr. Blair in 1879. He was twice married, first to Miss Mowat of St. Andrews, by whom he leaves no living issue. She died in 1862 and in 1864 he married a daughter of the late John Hawes of Portland, N. B., a sister of Mrs. A. A. Sterling of this city. By her he had three children, two daughters and one son, Mr. Sterling went to Maugerville today to break the news to Mrs. Covert. No arrangements have yet been made for the funeral. (Shortly after Mr. Covert's death Mrs. Covert with her family removed to this city, She died here about three years ago.)

MARRIAGES.

At the residence of the bride's father, Feb. 18th, by Rev. G. H. Sterling rector, James Martin Eldridge, to Eliza, daughter of Thomas Perley, Maugerville.

DEATHS.

In this city, Feb. 23rd., of croup, Annie Maud Finnie, fourch daughtes of William and Elizabeth Rossborough, aged three years, eleven months and seven days.

At the Manse, Nashwaak, Feb. 19th, Oharles Young, Melville, son of Rev. Peter Melville, aged ten months and twenty days.

CHAS. MCLEAN DEAD.

Well Known St. John Citizen Passed Away This Morning.

St. John, March 2.—(Special)—Charles McLean of the firm of McLean, Kenredy and Company, steamship agents, died today after a short illness.

He was a well known member of the board of trade, and an enthusiastic curler for many years.

He was about sixty years of age.

Bishop Richardson, who has been spending the past week in Boston, returned home by the noon train today. He will occupy the Cathedral pulpit at both services tomorrow.