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PREMIER PUGSLEY

Tells Public Accounts Com. why Central Railway Property is Shown as a Provincial Asset.

The Bottom Knocked Completely out of Opposition Criticism.

The expenditure in connection with public health, amounting to \$16,427.99, was examined and discussed by the public accounts committee of the legislature this morning. The small-pox expenditure during the year was quite heavy, and included payments to the counties of Northumberland, Charlotte, Queens, St. John, York, Sunbury and Kings.

Mr. Smith called for vouchers of a payment of \$1,133.18 made to Mr. R. P. Davis, secretary treasurer for Queens county, on account of small-pox. He criticized some of the items in the accounts, and wanted to know what was considered a fair price for fish whiskey.

None of the members of the committee could furnish him with the information.

Mr. Whitehead explained that the accounts were made up and audited by the several municipalities and before any portion was paid by the government, they were again audited by the deputy receiver general.

Mr. Smith said that he noticed one of the guards in Queens county was paid at the rate of \$3 per day.

Mr. Morrison said that in his county the rate was from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per day.

The auditor general in reply to Mr. Morrison, explained that Dr. Fisher was allowed something extra while his official duties called him away from home.

It was decided to take up the accounts of the provincial hospital on Thursday, March 21st, at ten a. m., and the secretary was instructed to notify the officials so attend.

The board of works accounts were briefly gone over and passed, with the exception of some items held over for future consideration.

The public printing accounts, totalling \$12,042.17, were next taken up.

Mr. Smith, who has become quite an authority on such matters, expressed the opinion that a considerable saving could be effected by using the tender system. He said the matter had been a bone of contention since he was a small boy.

The Auditor General explained that the Royal Gazette was printed under contract by the Herald Publishing Company.

The accounts showed that the Herald Publishing Company was paid the sum of \$5,333.24, the Telegraph Publishing Company, \$3,337. The Moncton Transcript, \$1,223.85; H. A. Lipsett, \$208.25; J. L. Stewart of the Chatham World, \$143, and J. and A. McMillan, \$266.80.

An item of \$400 paid to the Telegraph Publishing Company for advertising in a special edition was explained by the Auditor General for the benefit of Messrs. Smith and Morrison. He said that besides the advertisement the Province had received one thousand copies of the paper.

Mr. Smith asked a number of questions in regard to a payment of \$1,200 to the Telegraph Publishing Company for printing one hundred copies of the Judicature Act. He remarked that it was shown on the same page that the Herald Publishing Company had printed 1,000 extra copies of the Judicature Act for \$47.25.

The Auditor General promised to provide the committee with copies of both documents for purposes of comparison.

The accounts in connection with the reception to Prince Louis of Battenberg were next taken up. It was shown that the total cost to the government was \$1,561.04, and barouche and coach hire bills were the only ones which came in for criticism.

A copy of the Telegraph's special edition was handed Mr. Smith, and he spent some time going over its pages. It is a very handsome publication and contains much information concerning the resources of the Province.

Mr. Loudon explained that the copies supplied the government were distributed by the crown land department.

A copy of the Judicature Act printed by the Telegraph Publishing Company was produced by the Auditor General. It was stated that one hundred copies had cost \$1.

The book was shown to contain four hundred pages and was bound with paper covers. The document printed by the Herald, which was also produced, was only a small affair in comparison with the other.

Mr. Smith compared it with the crown land report, and complained that while one had cost 24 cents a copy the other had cost \$12.

Mr. Murray pointed out to Mr. Smith that while over a thousand copies were printed in that case, in the other the number was only one hundred. That would, of course, make the rate higher per single copy.

Mr. Pugsley, who dropped into the room at this stage, was asked by Mr. Smith what he thought of the price paid The Telegraph. Not being a practical printer, the premier said that he did not care to express an opinion.

CENTRAL RAILWAY ASSET.

The opposition members of the committee a short time ago, made a lot of fuss and noise because of the fact that the property of the New Brunswick Coal and Railway Company is put down in the auditor general's report as an asset of the province, worth \$1,150,000.

Premier Pugsley explained the matter fully to the committee this morning, and made the opposition critics look like a party sorry to see the road sold at a less figure than that, especially as the legislature had last session, with the approval of the opposition, refused an offer of three per cent.

Mr. Morrison said that the Canada Eastern had sold for \$6,000 per mile. The Premier in reply pointed out that there was no steel bridges on the Canada Eastern Railway, and if the Fredericton bridge, which was necessary for the operation of the road was included, it would mean another \$500,000. His best information today was that the Dominion Government would not take \$2,000,000 for the road.

The Premier went on to speak of the coal mines of Queens County, and predicted great development in the next few years. He spoke of the high reputation the coal now enjoyed in the market, and anticipated no difficulty in disposing of the increased output, which was bound to come. He had the best authority for stating that there was no better steam coal on the market today.

To Mr. Morrison the Premier said the manager of the Mispic Pulp Mill was on record as stating that one ton of Grand Lake coal would make a ton of pulp, whereas it required a ton and a half of old Mine Sydney coal to do the same thing. It was not so, he said, that the Grand Trunk Pacific will pass through Chipman, and this will mean further development and increased business for the Central Railway.

The government derived a revenue from the Central Railway property and there was no reason why it should not be put down as an asset. When no revenue was derived from a public work then it ceased to be an asset.

To Mr. Smith the Premier said that the Hartland bridge was not an asset as it was owned by a company.

that it would be poor policy for the government to put the road down as an asset for three or four hundred thousand dollars less than they believed it to be worth. Last year the legislature very properly refused to take \$700,000 for it. The contrary was developing very rapidly and he felt satisfied that the road would soon pay interest on the money invested in it. He thought it would be very poor policy for the government to put the road down for three or four hundred thousand dollars lower than they intended to sell it for.

The Premier pointed out that the lowest tender for building the G. T. P. section between Moncton and Chipman was \$20,000 per mile, and there was to be only one steel bridge. It cost more to build a railroad today than it did twenty years ago. He believed that there was not a railway in New Brunswick which had it been built with heavy rails and steel bridges, would today be making a profit. He considered it a mistake to build cheap railways.

Mr. Smith said that the Intercolonial was not considered an asset by the Dominion government.

The Premier replied that if it was not shown as an asset it certainly

should be. So far as the Central was concerned the government did not propose to value it at less than they believed it to be worth.

In regard to Mr. Mr. J. Barry, a coach bill of \$131.45, the Premier stated that it had been rendered at a larger amount, but he had disputed it. Mr. Barry had finally consented to a reduction and the bill had been paid at the figures given. The fact that the bill was disputed accounted for the delay.

In explaining his account for telegrams the Premier stated that he had gone carefully through his accounts and had struck out all items that should properly be charged to himself. His practice now was to classify each bill as it came in. In his capacity as attorney general, he very often received telegrams from magistrates, lawyers and coroners, which were sent collect. He thought that telegrams sent to his office while he was absent on public business, should be properly chargeable to the Province. The Premier went on to say that as soon as he saw the Auditor General's report last year, he had notified the chairman of the public accounts committee that some of his private telegrams had been incorrectly charged to the Province. He had asked that the matter be brought to the attention of the committee. When people wired him in regard to criminal matters it was necessary for them to go into detail, and this made the charge heavier, as the messages were sent collect.

The Premier further explained that while the government paid the rent of the telephone used in his office in Fredericton, the rent of telephones in his St. John office was paid by himself.

OPEN AIR TREATMENT.

Hillsboro, Albert Co., Man Claims of have been Cured of Consumption.

Moncton, March 19.—A remarkable cure of a bad case of consumption by means of the open-air treatment has been recorded near here. Charles E. Mollins of Hillsboro, with one lung almost entirely gone and the other affected, had been given up as lost by his friends, when he went under treatment by Dr. Botsford of this city. He built a 3 roomed shack in the Caledonia Mountains, in Albert County, and for seventeen months, through spring, winter, summer and autumn, he has lived there, in the open air continuously. Large windows, on hinges, admitted the air to his room, and at times during the winter, the thermometer in his room registered twenty-five degrees below zero, but he says he enjoyed the cold. He slept from ten to twelve hours a day, and spent the rest of his time in the open air. His diet consisted of milk and eggs, meat, raw beef sandwiches, plenty of potatoes, vegetables, nuts and light puddings. When he first started treatment Mollins' weight was 112 pounds, and to-day he weighs 146 pounds stripped. His chest and body measurements have greatly increased, and at the present time he is enjoying excellent health. During the winter he has taken several long snowshoe trips without the least fatigue.

LOWER LUDLOW.

March 15.—Mr. Hazen Lyons made a business trip to Fredericton one day last week.

Mrs. Everett Russell of Doaktown was the guest of Mrs. Willard Wilson one day last week.

Mrs. L. L. Nelson, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Russell, is now visiting her son, Mr. Willard Wilson.

Mr. Everett Lyons and wife of Doaktown, who have been visiting at this place, have returned home again.

Mr. John Stewart made a special trip to Doaktown one day last week.

Mrs. L. L. Nelson was the guest of Mrs. John Stewart on Tuesday last.

Mr. M. Price and wife, who have been spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stewart have returned home.

A very large crowd gathered at the home of Mr. Sandy O'Donnell on Tuesday evening to a supper that was given by some of the young men. It was a grand time and every one was well pleased. The evening was spent in dancing, music was furnished on the violin by Mr. Alfred Stewart and was assisted by Mr. Everett Lyons on the organ.

Mr. Archie McDonald and Mr. Howard Lyons was the guest of Mrs. Alex. Long on Wednesday.

Mrs. Davis Stewart was calling on friends in Doaktown one day last week.

Mr. Patrick Brown and Mr. Robert O'Donnell made a business trip to Fredericton, Wednesday.

Mr. Thomas O'Donnell and wife of New Brandon, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. O'Donnell on Tuesday last.

DEMONSTRATION OF ARMOUR'S BEEF TEA AT EDGEcombe's.

The ladies and gentlemen of Fredericton are invited to call at the store of the F. B. Edgecombe Company and have a nice cup of Armour's Beef Tea. Dainty dishes will be served from the chafing dish every afternoon. Demonstrations continued during the entire week.—d.

LAST SAD RITES.

Remains of Dr. Stockton, M.P., Interred at St. John Amidst Mourning of the People.

One of the Longest Corteges Ever Seen in that City.

St. John, March 21.—(Special.)—The body of Dr. Stockton, M. P., was laid to rest this afternoon at Fernhill Cemetery.

There was a very large number of mourning friends in the procession, which was one of the largest ever seen in St. John.

At two o'clock the pall bearers, and a few friends of the family gathered with the members of the family at the late residence of the deceased, Mount Pleasant, where a private service was conducted by Rev. Dr. Howard Sprague.

At the conclusion of the service, coaches were taken and the body was conveyed to Centenary Methodist Church, where a very impressive service was held.

The large church was completely filled.

At the close, the pall bearers Judge Barker, Judge McLeod, Senator Ellis, Dr. Daniel, M. P.; J. D. Hazen, M. P. P.; and Dr. Silas Alward, K.

C., conveyed the body reverently to the funeral car, and the procession was formed, and walked to Gouen Ball Corner, where coaches were taken for the cemetery.

Following the funeral car as mourners were: Goldwin Stockton, Ronald Stockton, sons of the deceased; Robert O. Stockton, Wm. Stockton, brothers; Charles W. Stockton, Senator F. P. Thompson, Dr. L. A. Langstroth, Heber Keith, J. Verner McLeffan, Albert Webster, George Barbour, Ernest Barbour, Fred Barbour, Thomas Bell, Milton Price, Henry A. Austin, Dr. Quigley, Dr. H. S. Bridges and J. King Kelley.

Preceding the funeral car were the trustees of Centenary Church, Albion Lodge, F. & A. M., and the Barristers' Society.

Many beautiful floral tributes, including one from R. L. Borden and Conservative members of parliament, Albion Lodge, Centenary Church and many others, were received.

MONCTON BUDGET.

I. C. R. Cars Derailed—Two Smashed with Contents and Track Damaged—Police Commission Bill.

Moncton, March 19.—(Special.)—A wreck that resulted in two box cars being badly smashed up and the track somewhat damaged, occurred in the I. C. R. yard early this morning.

As No. 16, freight for Truro, was pulling out of the yard, with a double header, several cars near the engine jumped the rails and wrecked the train.

Two of the cars, one loaded with flour, were badly broken up, and will be practically a total loss. In all some four or five cars were derailed.

The run off occurred about opposite the depot and a wrecking crew and track men have been at work all the morning clearing up the wreck, and repairing the track.

The cars went off at a frog and is thought it was a broken or defective frog was the cause of the accident. The cars ran four or five lengths on the sleepers after leaving the rails, with the result that the track was badly damaged.

The engines passed safely over the spot where the cars left the rails. No person was injured.

At a meeting of the Evangelical Alliance and Federation of Temperance last evening, the proposed commission for the Moncton police, was further discussed.

Opposition to the bill was not withdrawn, but with the promise that the legislation will not come into force until January, temperance people are not disposed to oppose the bill so strongly.

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They waited upon the premier, and asked the government for a contribution to the Alexander Graham Bell

memorial. Mr. Graham Bell was the inventor of the telephone.

The Halifax round house held the floor at the public accounts committee today, but there were no new developments.

Mr. Read of Sackville, one of the witnesses, was examined first, to let him return home today, because his child is dangerously ill.

MRS. OSLER DEAD.

Toronto, March 19.—Mrs. Featherston Osler died yesterday afternoon in her 101st year.

On the 14th of last December Mrs. Osler celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of her birth. Up to that time she had been perfectly well, and notwithstanding her great age, was in possession of her faculties.

She was the wife of the late Rev. L. Osler, for some years located

as a Church of England clergyman in the County of Simcoe.

Among her sons are E. B. B. Osler, M. P.; Hon. Justice Osler and Dr. William Osler, Regius professor of medicine at Oxford University.

Mrs. Osler was born in Cornwall, England, when George Third was on the throne. Her husband was one of the pioneer missionaries for the Church of England in western Canada, being sent out in 1838.