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POLITICAL SPECULATION.

There will not likely be any appointment to the vacant governorship of New Brunswick until the close of the present week or possibly not until the first of next week, but the impression seems to be quite general that we are likely to have another North Shore Governor in the person of the present premier, Hon. L. J. Tweedie.

No doubt friends of other gentlemen are pressing the claims of their favorites, but Premier Tweedie apparently has the call, or at least that is the impression the public have at the present moment.

With the premier elevated to the governorship speculation naturally turns to the changes that will be necessary in the local cabinet, and the public also seems to have quite decided views in this matter.

The premiership, it is asserted will fall to Hon. Dr. Pugsley, and whether he will assume the position of provincial secretary and advance the solicitor general to the attorney generalship, or retain his present position, acting also as provincial secretary during the present legislative session, is a question that bothers those who are trying with some definiteness to forecast results.

It has generally been believed that Senator Ellis has an eye on the governorship, but it is now stated by some of his friends that for domestic reasons which all must regret, he would be compelled to decline the position, were it offered him.

One thing is certain, however, the proposed changes cannot be long delayed. The legislature stands adjourned until Tuesday next and if the public business is then to proceed a new governor will be necessary, and if the choice falls on Mr. Tweedie, a new premier will have to be selected immediately.

MR. FOWLER'S BLUFF.

The exhibition which Mr. George W. Fowler made of himself in parliament last week has caused all self-respecting Canadians to bow their heads in shame, and whatever prestige the member for Kings-Albert may have enjoyed in that body has disappeared. It is lamentable that any man should so far forget himself and the constituency which he is supposed to represent as to indulge in language of the character employed by Mr. Fowler.

Remarkable on the disgraceful incident. The Toronto Globe observes that the Canadian public will not stand for scenes such as marked last week's debates in the House of Commons. Political decency and public morals demand that the insolent bluff of Mr. George W. Fowler be called. The Prime Minister was altogether right when he declared that before the present session closes the matters involved must be brought to the attention of the House. There is no alternative consistent with the integrity of parliament and the honor of its members. Two things must be done: The land deals referred to in the Fowler-Lefurgey letter must be investigated and the charges contained in Mr. Fowler's insinuations must either be withdrawn and apologized for, or formulated and proved.

It will not do to have a letter like that written by Mr. Fowler go unexplained. In it he, a member of the Canadian parliament, a judge sworn to do justly in the interests of the people of Canada in matters as between the people and the great railway corporations, carries on, as he says himself, "under cover of the strictest secrecy," a scheme by which he and his political friends would make great personal gain in a land speculation through the "tips" and "favors" of the head men in those same railway corporations.

"We have succeeded beyond our wildest hopes," he writes to 'Dear Lefurgey,' with the significant caution, "keep it mum, except to Borden Bennett and yourself."

If the face meaning of that letter cannot be explained away it will be vain to tell the public that a man under such obligations to the managers of the Canadian Pacific and the Canadian Northern will be absolutely unbiased in his judgment when those railway corporations are lobbying in the corridors and committee rooms for concessions which parliament

ought not to grant. It is imperative that such a matter should, as the Prime Minister has said, be brought to the attention of the House.

The other matter is quite as imperative. It is said that members and newspaper men become so accustomed to scandal-mongering in the corridors and smoking rooms of the House of Commons that they are not sensitive to the most insulting, the most compromising, the most utterly damaging insinuations and thinly veiled charges even when uttered openly in parliament. That may be true. But it is not true as regards the people of Canada, who choose those representatives, and indemnify them as members of parliament. Canadians are not so callous and biased as to take graft and immorality for granted in their public men. Nor are they so absorbed in getting prosperous that they disregard the obligations of honesty and chastity. And the public opinion in this country will demand, and will persist in demanding, that the cowardly threat of Mr. Fowler to expose wrongdoing on the part of his opponents if his own wrongdoing were mentioned be either withdrawn or made good. It must be so. Parliament cannot afford to allow slander and scandalous allegations to be forgotten. If Mr. Fowler has any charges to make against the honor or public character of any Liberal in parliament he is under obligation to make good his threat or resign his seat. And Liberal members are under obligation to insist on either alternative.

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THE CENTRAL ROUTE.

Ottawa despatches declare that the chief engineer of the Transcontinental Railway has recommended to the commission, the adoption of the central route through the Province and that that body will endorse the engineer's view to be followed by the government's agreement.

If this is correct it will be a great disappointment to the people of Fredericton and the St. John valley, who have ardently hoped that the line would open this way, and have endeavored to have the best possible case made out for the valley route.

The act providing for the construction of the Transcontinental calls for the shortest possible route, and the engineers claim that in traversing New Brunswick, they are able to save some thirty miles by adopting the central as against the valley route.

The premier has repeatedly declared in parliament and out of it that the government would be guided by the engineer's reports and there seems to be little doubt that the central route will be chosen if not already actually settled upon.

However, there are more transcontinental railways in course of construction, and it is believed that the Mackenzie-Mann interests are planning to bring their line through this Province by the valley route, and that inside of five years Fredericton will be on the line of a direct railway from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

Last week at Ottawa a large and influential delegation waited on the Premier and other members of the government, requesting a liberal grant in aid of technical education throughout Canada.

They urged the necessity for an extension of technical education in the Dominion if Canada were to keep abreast of industrial progress in other countries and pointed out that in Germany, the United States and elsewhere the governments were spending large sums in the development of national systems of technical education. The Premier replied that the government would take the whole question into very careful consideration. They were fully convinced as to the great importance of technical education in developing the nation's industries, and had taken due observation of what was being done by other countries.

CURRENT COMMENT

Hon. Jacques Bureau, the new solicitor general in the federal government is said to be the only French Canadian in the House of Commons able to speak the English language, without the French accent. Mr. Bureau in his earlier days lived in Winnipeg and Duluth, and all his associations being English he was forced to acquire full knowledge of that language, and now speaks it like an Englishman.

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OFF TO ROME.

Former Fredericton Clergyman Taking a Journey to the Eternal City.

Moncton Transcript.—At the close of a congregational meeting of St. Bernard's church held in the basement of the church after the regular vesper service to hear a statement of the financial standing of the parish, and to discuss ways and means of carrying on the work, the following resolution was unanimously carried by a standing vote of all present:—

Whereas, the congregation of St. Bernard's Church has learned that their reverend pastor is about to visit Rome, and other points in Europe and the British Isles and whereas this will be the only opportunity they will have of meeting him in large numbers before his departure.

Therefore resolved, that we, his parishioners, extend to him on the eve of his departure our most sincere wishes for a pleasant and profitable journey.

Further resolved that we assure him that our earnest prayers will follow him across the trackless ocean and many miles of inland sea which he will have to traverse before reaching the Eternal City, that he may be preserved from the perils of the deep and accidents of travel by land, and return in health and strength to resume his work among his children of St. Bernard's Parish.

The resolution was moved by Mr. H. F. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Jas. Flanagan, and put before the meeting by Mr. John Sutton. Rev. Father Savage replied in a few words assuring his people of his gratitude for their good wishes and that though absent from them his thoughts will be always of them, and his prayers for them. Those present then took the opportunity of saying good-bye and Godspeed.

Father Savage, who will be accompanied by Rev. Father Dufour, of Kent County, left today on the C.P.R. on their long journey.

RUSSIANS WANT

NEW MEN.

Very Few of Former Members of Parliament Re-elected.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 25.—Yesterday's returns from the national elections show no change in the already established proportion of re-elected members. The delegates continued to make fractional gains at the expense of the constitutional Democrats.

The twelve peasants returned from the Province of Pskov, a noisy illiterate and swell the number of indefinites. At 2 o'clock this morning the returns showed that 395 members of parliament had been elected, namely, 63 Monarchists, 32 Octobrists and Moderates, 21 Progressives, 67 Constitutional Democrats, 150 members of the Left Party, 40 Nationalists and 23 Indefinites.

The small number of former members of parliament re-elected is attracting attention. Out of 300 former delegates who were perfectly eligible barely twenty-five up to the present time have been re-chosen.

Prominent leaders of the Left Party deny that they intend to hasten the wrecking of parliament.

ONE HUNDRED BODIES.

Taken from Mexican Coal Pit Where Explosion Occurred.

Las Asperanza, Mexico, Feb. 25.—One hundred bodies have been taken from the coal mine of the Mexican Coal & Coke Company, in which an explosion of gas occurred four days ago. There are known to be twenty-three men still entombed in the shaft and it is practically certain that all are dead. Nearly one-half of the dead miners are Japanese.

In nearly every instance identification is impossible, and women and children crowd about everybody that is brought up. Eight vehicles are engaged in the work of carrying the bodies to the cemetery, and their progress is entirely blocked at times by the press of women, who furiously demand further opportunity to prosecute their hopeless task of attempting to identify the dead. The ten doctors in attendance are working without intermission.

MORRISON CENTENNIAL.

Toronto, Feb. 26.—(Special.)—The executive of the Presbyterian foreign mission committee met yesterday, and discussed holding a Morrison centenary celebration throughout the church in Canada early in May.

Robert Morrison was the first Christian missionary to lay the foundation of higher civilization in Canada, just one hundred years ago. Details of the centenary jubilee have not been finally arranged.

THE THAW TRIAL.

New York, Feb. 26.—(Special.)—Alfred Hummel was the first witness in the Thaw case this morning. He told of Mrs. Thaw's visit to his office, and identified an affidavit drawn by him. He was then temporarily excused and Mrs. Thaw was recalled.

Nothing sensational occurred at this morning's session.

STRONG MAN DYING.

Montreal, Feb. 26.—(Special.)—Louis Cyr, the world's strongest man, is dying, from dropsy, at St. Jean de Matha, a little village in this province. He made quite a large fortune travelling throughout the world, giving exhibitions of his strength.

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