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A GRATIFYING RECORD.

Premier Pugsley and the government which he so efficiently leads, came through the legislative session with flying colors, and their prestige has been immeasurably increased throughout the country during the past eight weeks.

Sad circumstances early in the session forced Dr. Pugsley into the premiership saddle, and it is known to all men how admirably he has acquitted himself in that responsible position.

Acting in the triple capacity of premier, attorney general, and provincial secretary a prodigious amount of labor devolved upon him, but he was more than equal to the occasion and stands before the country today one of the most forceful, progressive and popular political leaders New Brunswick has ever possessed.

The premier worked early and late, undergoing a strain of mental and physical labor that few men could endure.

He led the legislature with infinite tact and success, he directed legislation with the skill of a practised hand, he won the complete confidence and esteem of his colleagues in the government and of its supporters in the House and compelled admiration from the opposition.

Dr. Pugsley gave greater evidence than ever before of his great capacity not only as political leader, but as a sagacious, wise and prudent legislator, one who desires to efficiently serve the best interests of his native province and has the ability and the energy to carry forward that patriotic purpose. He evolved schemes of the greatest moment for the development of the province and carried the legislature with him in his efforts to advance New Brunswick on the road to greater progress and prosperity.

His energy, his great ability, his untiring industry, his unvarying courtesy and faithfulness in the discharge of his manifold and exacting duties, command the admiration the sincere appreciation and deeply rooted confidence of the people, and such service as he has already rendered New Brunswick marks him as a man who is destined to take a leading place among the foremost statesmen and administrators of Canada's public affairs.

No man in the public life of Canada has risen more rapidly in public esteem than the present premier of New Brunswick and it is no wonder that the country looks to him for even more distinguished and useful service than he has already rendered to his native province.

New Brunswick has produced and given to the public service many gentlemen of distinguished ability, but when history comes to be written, few will occupy a higher place in the regard and esteem of his fellow countrymen than Hon. William Pugsley, who, starting in his life work under humble conditions, has risen to a high plane in his profession and in the political arena, and who gives ample promise of even greater things in the future.

USEFUL LEGISLATION.

The session of the legislature just closed, has been prolific in wise, progressive and useful legislation that will make for the development, progress and prosperity of New Brunswick.

No public interests have been neglected in the government's program, and all will receive an impetus from what has been accomplished in the House.

Prominent amongst the matters dealt with are the educational, agricultural, railway bridge and highway interests of the Province.

The cause of education occupied a foremost place in the deliberations of the assembly, which on the initiative of the government was able to vote an increase of \$30,000 to further the aims of this great service. \$25,000 to increase the teachers' salaries and \$5,000 to extend the usefulness of the University of New Brunswick. The question of annuities or pensions for teachers is also engaging the attention of the government, and the movement will likely take definite shape at an early day.

One leading feature of the session was the important railway legislation passed. Provision was made for strengthening the financial position of the company constructing the International Railway from Campbellton to the St. John river, in Madawaska County, and the completion of that important work will be reached at an early day. The people of the St. John river districts are particularly interested in the action taken for the construction of the Valley railway, and it is confidently anticipated that that important work will be undertaken at an early day. Mr. Carvell, M. P., has the assurance that Mr. Mann, or his chief engineer, will make a personal inspection of the proposed route and the government expect that the great firm of Mackenzie & Mann, taking advantage of the promised bond guarantee by the Province, will take hold and construct the line, from Westfield to Centreville, through Fredericton, making it part of their great transcontinental line.

Nor has agriculture been neglected during the past session. Provision was made for the importation of \$25,000 worth of improved stock in the line of horses and sheep, for increased cold storage facilities and for the encouragement of starch factories which it is believed can be run at a profit in New Brunswick, and with great advantage to the farmers who raise large quantities of potatoes.

An important measure passed in the last hours of the session was that providing for the erection of the large number of permanent bridges throughout the Province. The opposition leaders spoke against the measure and criticized the government's alleged extravagance, but when challenged by the Premier to name one bridge in the list that was not required in the public interest, they sat dumb in their seats.

An important amendment to the highways act providing for the breaking of winter roads compelled the support of even the opposition and removed one of the objections to that measure.

Acts giving the government a measure of control of the telephone companies, amending the judicature act so as to make it more workable, and paving the way for its adoption to render the liquor license act more efficient, and numerous other useful measures complete a record breaking session in wise and useful legislation.

EFFICIENT REPRESENTATIVES.

The government is dealing generously with Fredericton and York. The erection of a new \$70,000 steel bridge at Hawshaw, the proposed erection of a couple of new spans in the Fredericton bridge, the grant of \$5,000 towards the Fredericton exhibition for this year, and the final action on the sewerage question are matters upon which the government is entitled to the commendation of the people of this city and county.

Complaint has sometimes been made that the York members of the legislature do not take a large part in the discussions of the House, but when solid work is to be done for their constituency, Messrs. Whitehead, Allen, Campbell and Burden, are always to the front, and no county's representatives have more influence with the government than the gentlemen who represent this constituency.

The late Mr. Pitts was a great talker. He continually harangued the legislature, but what practical benefit did York ever receive from the exercise of his vocal functions. York has every reason to feel gratified with the efficient manner in which it has been represented in the legislature by the present members who have practical results, to show from their tenure of office.

AFRAID OF POSTERITY.

Poor Mr. Foster, is very much afraid of what posterity will think of his western land deals by the use of Foresters' funds, and in his defence in parliament made a piteous appeal for erasures and amends in the Insolvency Commission's report. Hear him wail:

"Twenty-five years hence, when my dust is mingled with mother earth, some political slanderer may arise in this House, and in reply to a Conservative member, say to him, 'You vaunt yourself about your men and leaders; read the report of the Royal Commission; there was one of your trusted men, and by that commission he is reported as taking a bribe in carrying on this trust company's business.' I shall not be there to meet my traducers, and fifty years later and forever down through the years of the history of Canada that damnable record is there full of falsity to the utter abandonment of all sense of honor, truth and

manly conduct. Man to man, I ask Judge McTavish how he dared to put such a malicious finding in the report."

Wouldn't that bring tears from the eyes of a potato, and anguish from the heart of a turnip?

CURRENT COMMENT.

Mr. Borden defended himself in the insurance commission debate, but he had nothing to say for Mr. Foster or Mr. Fowler.

What a polished, refined, elevating vocabulary Mr. Fowler makes use of in parliament, and what a distinguished ornament he is to that body.

Mr. Wilmot, M. P., has been putting questions to the government at Ottawa on the Fredericton sewerage question, and was told by the Minister of Justice, that the matter was one to be decided by the local authorities.

Mr. Foster did not relish his land speculations, being compared by the minister of justice to Banker McGill's efforts. Well, nobody expected he would. Mr. Foster was so angry with Mr. Aylesworth that he called him "conspirator." The minister of justice has a clean record.

There was a very spirited debate in the legislature last night on the government's bill to provide for the erection of a large number of permanent bridges throughout the Province, and the Herald hopes to publish the report in its issue of Monday. Mr. Hazen made a bitter attack on the government and on the Premier, who replied with great energy and eloquence and other members took part in the discussion.

The St. John Globe hears the rumor of an early dissolution of the legislature and a general election. Has our contemporary, which always has its ear to the ground, discovered any report that probably another session of the legislature may be held before dissolution? The tenure of the present legislature does not expire by law until next April, it would be possible to hold another session within that time, and such a contingency is not improbable.

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