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DAILY

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THE INTERCOLONIAL

The speech of Hon. Geo. P. Graham, Minister of Railways, in parliament Thursday, reviewing the work, standing and future of the Intercolonial railway, implies a strong tribute to the excellence of Hon. Mr. Emmerson's management.

Mr. Graham has been in office only a few months, and hence whatever credit is attached to the satisfactory condition of the road and the sound health of its finances is certainly due to the late minister, Mr. Emmerson.

The Intercolonial had a handsome surplus for the past year, but it is evident that Mr. Graham is more concerned about continuing the railway as an efficient link in Canada's transportation facilities, than he is in starving the service for the sole end of making the road more than pay its way.

One gratifying feature of Mr. Graham's address is the broad view he takes of the Intercolonial, and its mission, and his evident desire to increase its facilities for performing the service for which it was intended.

Some years ago there was a strong feeling in Ontario that the government should get rid of the Intercolonial, but largely through the public speeches of Mr. Emmerson, and his efficient management of the road that sentiment has entirely disappeared, as evidenced by the utterances of Mr. Graham, who is an Ontario man, but whose official experience has convinced him that the Intercolonial must be preserved, maintained and improved, as the people's railway, forming a most important interprovincial link.

Through the construction of the G. T. P. railway, Mr. Graham anticipates a large increase in the traffic of the Intercolonial, and he thinks it will be necessary to double track portions of the road, and reduce the grades, notably between Moncton and Halifax, and from Moncton to St. John.

Mr. Graham is also evidently of the opinion that the road if put in commission could be best managed by one man responsible directly to the government, and reading between the lines of his speech, it is not difficult to reach the conclusion that the government may have in contemplation the appointment of the late Minister of Railways for that duty.

On the question of acquiring branch lines, Mr. Graham is rather non-committal, but he declares that if after a report of his own engineers he finds certain Intercolonial feeders profitable, he might not hesitate to lease or purchase them, thus carrying out the policy so strongly advocated by Mr. Emmerson and the present government of this province.

Altogether Mr. Graham's speech with respect to the Intercolonial, is hopeful and inspiring, and will be read with special interest by the people of the Maritime Provinces.

Mr. Graham is proving himself an industrious and capable minister, showing that in selecting him for so important a position, Sir Wilfrid Laurier exercised a wise discretion. In parliament the new minister is very popular, and when he becomes better known throughout the country he will be very warmly appreciated.

CABINET MAKING

Mr. Hazen is being overrun with advisers who want to keep him straight in his cabinet selections. Mr. Clarke of St. Stephen, Mr. Sproul of Hampton, Dr. Bourque of Kent, Mr. Dixon of Albert, and our own Mr. Pinder sought Mr. Hazen's presence on Thursday at St. John, and it is understood that all of them presented claims for a place in the cabinet.

Up to date Mr. Hazen has the following at his disposal for places in his government:

Attorney General—Mr. Hazen himself, Mr. Grimmer, Mr. Clarke and Mr. McLeod.

For Provincial Secretary—Mr. Fleming, Mr. Clarke and Mr. Sproul.

Chief Commissioner—Mr. Pinder, Dr. Landry, Dr. Bourque, Mr. Maxwell and Mr. Morrison.

Surveyor General—Mr. Morrissey, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Sproul and several others.

Solicitor General—Mr. Grimmer, Mr. Slipp, Mr. Clarke and Mr. McLeod.

Com. of Agriculture—Mr. Pinder, Mr. Dixon, Col. Sheridan, etc., etc.

Speaker—Mr. Maxwell, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Grimmer and Mr. Clarke.

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And there are several counties yet to be heard from.

With Mr. Hazen, Mr. Fleming and Mr. Maxwell as certain cabinet fixtures, representing the river counties, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Pinder and Mr. Slipp are very nervous over their own prospects.

A FRIEND OF FREDERICTON

The news of United States Senator Proctor's death, which occurred Thursday at Washington, from pneumonia, will be heard with regret in Fredericton.

Although not personally known to except a few persons in this city, it will be recalled that when Ald. Scott went to Washington a few months ago to protest against the closing of the United States consular agency here, he was able, through a letter of introduction from Mr. W. T. Whitehead to Senator Proctor, to enlist the influence of that gentleman in his mission, and largely through the deceased gentleman's efforts, the American State department decided to continue the agency in Fredericton. Senator Proctor was one of the original members of the Tobique Salmon club, and it was through his association with that organization, that Mr. Whitehead met him, and the two gentlemen ever since have been close personal friends.

Senator Proctor had been a conspicuous factor in the political and business interests of Vermont for many years, and was reputed to be one of the wealthiest members of the United States Senate. He was Secretary of War in President Harrison's administration.

THE VACANT OFFICES

Mr. Hazen's friends are already parcelling out provincial offices that were vacant when the government appealed to the people, and make the claim that the filling of them should be left to the new government. This is rather unreasonable. The present government would be clearly within its constitutional rights were it to fill all vacancies before resigning.

That is the method followed by the Tory government at Ottawa, both in 1873 and 1896, and one of the appointments Sir John Macdonald made before laying down the seals of office in the former year, was that of Sir Leonard Tilley to the governorship of New Brunswick. It was said at the time that Sir Leonard went down with a life belt around him, and surely Mr. Hazen could not seriously object if Premier Robinson followed the Tory precedent.

CURRENT COMMENT

Relieved of the cares of government, the Herald is renewing its youth.

The average Liberal majority in Westmorland Tuesday was 478.

Mr. Hazen will run up against a tough proposition in the legislature with Hon. H. A. McKewen as one of the new government's chief critics.

In reply to a question in the Ontario legislature Tuesday, the Minister of Education, Dr. Pyne, said what school books had been reduced in price. The reductions so far as enumerated only applied to public school readers and language texts.

Some foolish Fredericton Tory Wednesday wanted to buy the Herald's rooster, but that bird is not for sale. He is being stall fed to crow over Mr. Hazen's discomfort when he finds that nineteen hungry applicants for cabinet positions cannot be crowded into six portfolios.

When Mr. Hazen gets control of the government it is expected that every mile of New Brunswick road will be macadamized, and that along a great many of them concrete or asphalt sidewalks will be laid. Mr. Hazen has promised good roads, and the people will insist on the pledge being carried out.

Hon. C. H. LaBillois is the only member of the new legislature, who was a member of the House that deposed the Harnington government in 1883, and he has sat continuously in the legislature ever since his first election in 1882, when only twenty-six years old. It will be a new experience for Mr. LaBillois to sit in opposition.

Mr. Harry McLeod is said to have engaged a corps of expert stenographers to receive the applications of hungry office seekers. Those who have not yet presented their claims are reminded that Mr. McLeod's office is in the Colter building, Queen Street and they should lose no time in indicating the jobs they want.

Up to 3.45 p. m. today 1223 applications had been filed, with most of the parishes yet to be heard from.

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LICENSE VS. SCOTT ACT

To the Editor of the Herald:

I had not intended to take any further notice of the personal attacks that have been made upon me by the persons who write for the Scott Act Committee, but as I find myself accused of writing a letter which I have never even read casting discredit on the ladies of the W.C.T.U. I am induced to break silence. I never saw the name of Phebe Cousins until I saw it in the papers on Wednesday evening. I also, while on this subject utterly deny having written a letter under the name of Citizens in which reference was made to certain proceedings in the Police Court, of which I had never heard until I saw them mentioned in the papers. I also stamp as a malicious lie the statement that there were any orgies in

the Legislative Building or that I had any connection with any transaction in that building of which any man need be ashamed. I can refer with confidence to those who are in that building all the time and who are willing to tell the truth. As a matter of fact during last year I was absent from Fredericton eight months out of the twelve and during two months of the remaining four the Legislature was in session so that the time for "Orgies" must have been very short. I must confess my astonishment that the members of the Scott Act Committee, some of whom claim to be gentlemen, should allow their good name to be smirched by the writings of some blackguard who is too much of a coward to sign his name to his slanderous writing.

A. B.

The Fredericton applicants for favours from Mr. Hazen may well feel envious of a Chatham man, our old and esteemed friend, Commodore Stewart, editor of the World. The Commodore says in his paper: "We hammered away at the local government for twenty-five years, with no let up, and have our reward." Mr. Hazen has been very prompt in this case. The Commodore boasts of having his reward even before Mr. Hazen has secured control of the treasury. What is it that the Commodore has obtained.

Hon. John Haggart, the Tory Minister of railways, who made such a miserable failure managing the Intercolonial, denounces the government's proposition to double the track portions of the railway as an election dodge. He also declared against the leasing of branch lines, and said that Mr. Borden was never in favor of government ownership of railways, although every intelligent man knows that was a plank in the Tory leader's platform in the last campaign. Mr. Haggart appears to be a veritable Rip Van Winkle.

My wife's affections have been alienated. You should sue for damages. I would like to. But what satisfaction could I get from a rubber plant!

Freddie—Say, maw, paw, don't know everything, does he?

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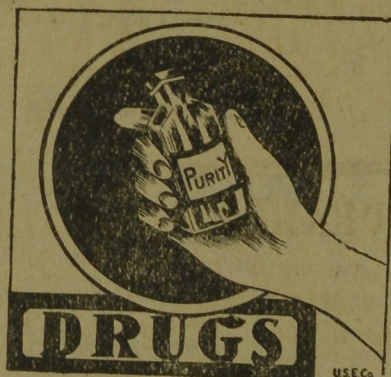
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