



His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Tweedie will receive at the Queen hotel parlors on Wednesday, May 20, from four to six p.m.

R. S. BARKER,
Private Secretary.

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A FALSE CLAIM.

One would think in reading that portion of Mr. Fleming's budget speech with reference to the increased educational grant of \$30,000, that the present government are entitled to the credit of adding \$25,000 to the teachers' salaries and enlarging the grant to the University by \$5,000.

No claim could be more false and unjustifiable. Mr. Fleming was simply trying to deceive the country, but his effort will miserably fail.

Everybody who keeps in touch with public affairs is quite well aware that both these increases were given under legislation promoted by the late government and that the Hazen administration is no more entitled to credit in the matter than the man in the moon.

The teachers know who increased their grants, the public is aware of the late government's action on that question and in the establishment of the forestry department at the University, and thus Mr. Fleming's effort and that of the local grant organ to claim the praise of the people for the increased grant to education is simply ludicrous and unworthy of any man occupying a responsible position in the government.

MR. McLEOD'S OPPORTUNITY.

Mr. McLeod's friends are announcing that he will follow Mr. Robinson in the budget debate, and if the Solicitor General takes that course it is to be hoped he will make some reference to the defective title which he alleged the late government held in the Victoria County lands.

Mr. McLeod is one of the law officers of the Crown and if this province is holding lands to which they cannot legally give a title to prospective settlers, the country should know it and Mr. McLeod's duty is clear in the premises.

Either he was foolishly wrong in the campaign speech which he delivered at Perth, declaring that the government can give no legal title to the purchase of these lands, or if he was correct in his opinion then, he is culpable for not since removing the impression he sought to create, to the detriment not only of the late government but the interests of the country.

Mr. McLeod cannot afford to longer remain silent on this question, either in justice to his own professional and political reputation or to the government of which he is a member, and in his speech in the budget debate he should make his position on the land question clear and unequivocal. Even Mr. Hazen should insist on his Solicitor General either taking back his assertions that the title to the lands is defective, or admit that everything is all right and Mr. McLeod was only spreading a false canvas against his opponents.

A PARSON IN POLITICS.

A feature of the present provincial election campaign in Ontario, is the candidature of Rev. D. C. Hossack, a leading Presbyterian clergyman of Toronto, who is running as an independent Liberal in North Toronto, with the endorsement of the Liberal party in that division.

Mr. Hossack's candidature is attracting more than ordinary notice, because of the radical change in his political attitude since the last election.

During that campaign, when the Ross government were in their death struggle, Mr. Hossack, writing as a Liberal, called upon the independent men of his party to come out from the Ross ranks and support Whitney the Tory leader, who, Mr. Hossack said, stood for cleaner government, and no doubt such an appeal had considerable weight, with those who while Liberals had about concluded that a change of government would be healthy for the country. Indeed Mr. Hossack was given considerable credit for assisting Mr. Whitney into power, but the clergyman finds that his trust in the Tory leader has been betrayed, and at the opening of the present campaign he wrote another letter to the press denouncing the Whitney government as strongly as he condemned the Ross administration four years ago.

Mr. Hossack's candidature for the legislature as an opponent of the government has followed, and is creating quite a stir in Ontario political circles.

Mr. Hossack is one of the big men of this Presbyterian church in Ontario, big physically and mentally, and undoubtedly exercises a wide influence as a preacher and moral reformer, and as has been noted, his strength has extended to the political field.

The editor of the Toronto Saturday Night, a newspaper entirely independent in politics and with a habit of striking out from the shoulder at both parties, has great admiration for the parson candidate. In his last issue he says:

"I have known Mr. Hossack since he first came to Toronto, and have availed myself of every convenient opportunity to hear him preach. He is unquestionably one of the foremost preachers in this country—a big, fine looking man, with a slow voice, impressive manner and plenty of ideas. When you go away from the service he has conducted, you can neither forget the man as you saw him nor his subject as he presented it. In whatever church he holds the pastorate, the capacity of the building is soon taxed to the utmost to accommodate the crowds that gather to hear him. He is invited out much to preach special sermons and deliver lectures and wherever he goes draws and charms large audiences."

Such is the picture of the man who after assisting to seat Mr. Whitney in power is now, after four years' experience with that gentleman, smiting him hip and thigh and has himself taken the field as a candidate against the government.

CURRENT COMMENT.

One hundred and twenty-five years ago today, on May 18, 1783, the Loyalists landed at St. John.

The country people are up in arms against Mr. Hazen's new highway bill, especially that feature of it which nearly doubles their road tax.

"False and misleading" are the terms which Dr. Pugsley applies to some of Mr. Fleming's statements in his budget speech.

Hon. Robt. Rogers, a member of the Manitoba government, and one of the most partisan and reckless Tory politicians in Canada, has arrived at Ottawa to stiffen the backbone of Mr. Borden in his effort to block the business of Parliament because the government refuses to withdraw its bill to give Manitoba fair electoral lists.

Although Mr. Hazen and his party violently attacked the late government for not giving a larger grant to agriculture, they have reduced that item by over \$1,000. Last year it was \$39,825, this year it is only \$38,465. Mr. Hazen also has shown his great interest in the farmers by putting a medical doctor at the head of the agricultural department.

Another Harbottle has come to serious grief. Only a few days ago a man of that name who stole \$14,000 from the Toronto Club of which he was secretary-treasurer, and was brought from Cuba to stand trial, was sent to the penitentiary for four years, and now his brother, who was collector of inland revenue at Edmonton, confesses to the embezzlement of the government funds. It is said the latter sacrificed himself to help his brother at Toronto.

Mr. Hazen has already turned down the women suffragists, and it will be the prohibitionists next. How is it that the temperance Federation whose members made frequent demands on the late government for prohibition, have not already interviewed the present administration. Are the Tories, who largely compose that organization, afraid of embarrassing Mr. Hazen, or have they been stood off by Mr. Maxwell?

The recent smash of the Bank of St. John's at St. John's, Quebec, is likely to be responsible for at least one death. The president, Hon. P. H. Roy, speaker of the Quebec legislature, recently dissolved, and members of his family were very large stockholders, and have lost everything in the wreck. Mr. Roy, naturally a delicate man, has taken the loss and grief at the smash so seriously that he is critically ill and not expected to recover. Only a few months ago he was an unsuccessful candidate for the Montreal mayoralty, and admitted having spent \$25,000 in that contest.

STEAMSHIP SERVICE.

Elaine is Likely to go on Fredericton-St. John Route.

The council of the Board of Trade held a meeting Saturday afternoon, and passed a resolution urging the St. John River Steamboat company to place the steamer Elaine on the St. John-Fredericton route, to make alternate trips with the Victoria. Dr. L. A. Currey, manager of the St. John River Steamboat company, owners of the Elaine, was present by request and intimated to the meeting that the directors of his company would be quite ready to seriously consider the proposal from the merchants of Fredericton, with a view of improving the steamship service. He said that the Elaine was now running between St. John and Hampstead, and as the Majesty was also on that route, no serious inconvenience would be caused to their down river patrons if they decided to run the boat through to Fredericton. He thought that Fredericton was clearly entitled to a daily service, and he would be pleased to submit the board's request to the directors of the company.

Secretary Winslow was instructed to address a communication to the directors requesting that the Elaine be placed on the St. John-Fredericton route without delay, and that negotiations be opened with the Star Line company, with a view of securing the right to use their wharf.

Dr. Currey informed a Herald representative on Saturday evening after the meeting that he had not the slightest doubt but that the Elaine would be making trips to Fredericton in the course of a few days. If unable to secure the Star Line wharf, he said he would enter into an arrangement with Mr. Mackay for the wharf now used by the Hampstead. The steamer Elaine is undoubtedly

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Add Steamship service. A despatch from St. John today states that the owners of the steamer Elaine have decided to place her on the St. John-Fredericton route. She will leave St. John on Wednesday morning on her first trip.

FAUST.

The celebrated production of "Faust" will be at the Opera house on Tuesday evening, May 19. Mr. Chas. C. Silk, the well known legitimate actor, who is the star of this company, plays the difficult role of Mephistopheles, and those who have witnessed his performance of this most trying part, agree that he gives one of the truest portrayals ever seen. He has been more than careful in his selection of players, that make up the company, and with scenic and electrical effects, which this company carry, the patrons of good, clean and wholesome drama, may feel assured of an enjoyable evening with Mr. Silk and the play of "Faust."

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