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### SPIRITED CONTEST.

The provincial election campaigns in Quebec and Ontario, which will close at the polls on Monday, have been comparatively short but spirited, and the results are not likely to very much surprise either Liberals or Conservatives.

Nobody anticipates a change of government in either province; the odds against the opposition in both cases are too great to overcome in one campaign, so there is every probability that after Monday next Quebec will still have a Liberal government with a very large majority at its back in the legislature, and that in Ontario the Whitney Conservative administration will have ample support to retain power for the next five years.

In both provinces, however, the opposition have reason to expect considerable gains, and this is especially true in Ontario, where the Liberals, with their energetic young leader, Hon. A. G. McKay, are putting up a very vigorous campaign.

In the Ontario House recently dissolved the government had 70 seats, the Liberals 27, and there was one Labor representative, Mr. Studholme of Hamilton. The redistribution increased the membership to 106. Premier Whitney, however, secured a gerrymander, which makes it harder for Liberals to win in several ridings, but with all the odds against them, the opposition count quite confidently on considerably increasing their numbers in the legislature.

In Quebec, the late House of seventy-four members, contained only seven Conservatives, a condition that is not likely to again exist. Indeed, it would be unfortunate for the Liberal party were it to be returned with such an overwhelming support. No government should be so strong in the legislature, and no party profits by securing such a nearly unanimous support.

The conditions of the Quebec contest are somewhat complicated by the Nationalists, led by Mr. Bourassa, who, while professing independence, are really in league with Mr. LeBlanc and his Tory opposition, but there is every prospect that Premier Gouin will record a substantial triumph over all his opponents, and have a safe solid majority in the new legislature.

The provincial campaigns have drawn many members of parliament away from their duties at Ottawa, and there will be a feeling of relief in both parties at the Capital when the elections are over.

### SOME POLITICAL RUMORS.

Mr. Pinder was in close confab with Mr. Morrissey and Mr. Grimmett before they left for St. John last evening, and there is a rumor current that Mr. Pinder, having failed to land a seat in the cabinet, would be quite willing to become secretary to the public works department. Mr. Pinder had some experience in handling the road monies of York under the Fraser government, and opposite his name in the auditor general's report were placed the significant words "No Account." That did not mean that Mr. Pinder was of no account, but it was properly interpreted to signify that Mr. Pinder had spent the money without returning vouchers to the department.

It is also intimated that Mr. Pinder's conference with Messrs. Morrissey and Mr. Grimmett included a protest against Solicitor General McLeod running off upriver and leaving the Crown business in the York county court in the hands of a hired lawyer, when McLeod himself should have been present discharging the duties, for which the country pays him.

Mr. Pinder has laid it down as a principle—and it is a very good one—that the Crown officers of the government should conduct all the prosecutions in the criminal courts, and not employ outside lawyers to do the work, and he is said to be very much embarrassed and annoyed that so soon after he made his speech in the legislature denouncing the late government for permitting "grasping and unprincipled lawyers" to make scoops from the treasury, for services which should have been performed by the attorney general and solicitor general, he should be compelled to witness under his very nose, the employment of outside counsel to conduct the criminal business in the York County court.

As an exceptionally honest and honorable man, Mr. Pinder is naturally grieved at this early lapse of his party, from which he expected better things, and it would not be surprising if the New Brunswick patriot were to desert the political ship, especially if a life buoy in the shape of \$2,000 a year secretaryship of the public works department were thrown to him by Capt. Hazen.

### FAIR PROPOSAL REJECTED.

Dr. Pugsley, who has a claim of nearly \$4,000 against the local government made the reasonable offer to submit the matter to an arbitrator who would be agreeable to both parties concerned, stipulating that the gentleman chosen should be a barrister of high standing, and the provincial

secretary hurriedly named one of his partisan Woodstock supporters. In reply Dr. Pugsley submitted the names of six prominent barristers in addition to the Woodstock gentleman, some of them Liberals and some Conservatives, the latter including Mr. H. A. Powell, and offered to abide by the result of lots drawn as to who should arbitrate, but it is announced in a government newspaper doubtless on the authority of Mr. Flemming that if the provincial secretary's man is not accepted by Dr. Pugsley the matter is at an end.

This is certainly most indecent treatment to extend to a political opponent, and the government should be ashamed of their action, but it is about the size of the Hazen-Flemming combination whose chief business in office is to persecute Liberals many of whom were foolish enough to be led into supporting the present administration when it was struggling to secure office.

### CURRENT COMMENT.

Doubled road taxes and a decreased agricultural grant, are some of the blessings handed out to the farmers of New Brunswick by the Hazen government.

The local government continues to manufacture justices of the peace by the score, and soon there will scarcely be a Tory in the province not holding that office.

Poor old Dreyfus. His enemies are still after him, and his escape from death at the Pantheon in Paris was too close to be comfortable. Was ever man so persecuted in an alleged Christian country?

A cartoon published in the St. John Times shows Mr. Hazen at sea in a frail looking canoe, which he is endeavoring to steer on tempestuous waters. The illustration is very suggestive and apropos.

One good effect of new blood in the city council is the reduction of interest paid the banks on civic overdrafts from six to five per cent. The citizens hope that the end of frenzied financing was reached when the late Mayor and his friends laid down the seals of office.

The Normal school term, closing today, has been one of the most successful in the history of that important institution, which under the wise and energetic guidance of Principal Bridges, is occupying a high place in public confidence.

Mr. O. S. Crockett, in his despatches to the local graft organ, continues to represent that he is the whole thing in parliament. Other Tory M.P.'s are scarcely worth mentioning, and few of them are ever named by Mr. Crockett's personally conducted puffery bureau.

No member of the government was present at the Normal school closing exercises, a condition that provoked unfavorable comment. Mr. Hazen and his colleagues should certainly have planned to be represented at the exercises, especially as they are new in office, and naturally might have been expected to desire a closer acquaintance with the work of the school.

Tory newspapers some days ago, announced that the reason for Sir Wilfrid Laurier's stiffening up in resistance of Tory obstruction in parliament, and his evident resolve to stand by the government elections bill, was the presence of Hon. Clifford Sifton in Ottawa, when as a matter of fact that gentleman at the time was in Mexico, beyond the reach of even the telegraph wires.

Senator Perley complained in the upper chamber yesterday because of the great length of the parliamentary session. He had left his home in the west last November, and he would be absent nearly a year. He wanted to know when parliament would be prorogued. The Senator should ask his Tory friends in the House of Commons. When they have ceased obstruction the government will be ready to finish the public business.

### GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Local Executive in Session at St. John—Report on Condition of Central Railway; More Money Needed

ST. JOHN, June 5.—(Special)—The local government met here this morning, and transacted considerable business.

Florence McCarthy was appointed a member of the board of Liquor License commissioners of St. John city, in place of Dr. T. H. Lunney, whose term has expired.

A delegation from the board of School Trustees, consisting of the chairman, R. B. Emmerson, M. Coll, J. V. Russell and Dr. H. S. Bridges, appeared before the meeting, and requested leave to issue bonds to the value of \$40,000, to cover the proposed extension of Winter Street school.

The premier intimated to the delegation that the views of the St. John common council would be heard before action was taken in the matter.

A report was received from the commissioners of the Central Railway to the effect that from twelve to twenty miles of the road between Chipman and Norton had not been ballasted, either under Brown Bros. contract, or under the days' work done by the former commissioners.

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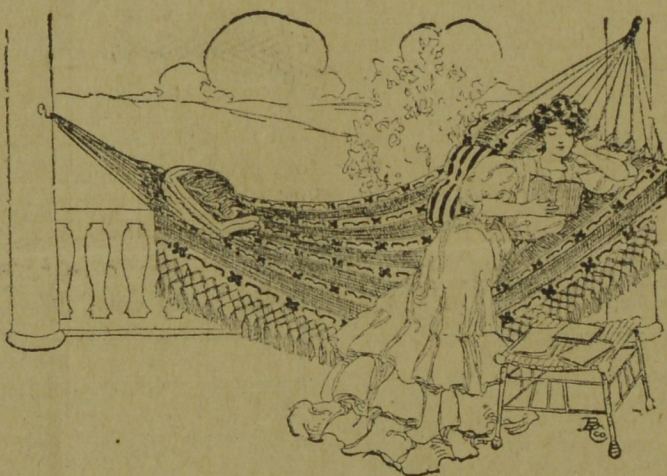
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The premier intimated that in order to safe-guard passengers and traffic going over the road, such arrangements would be made as were necessary to improve the road.

A delegation from the Fish, Forest and Game Protection Association, consisting of President Frank Flewelling, Frank Ellis and D. Clinch was heard by the Government.

They explained the objects of the Association and asked for a grant to assist in carrying on their work. The Premier intimated that although the Government were in full sympathy with the aims of the Association they would not be able to make, and grant at present, as the estimates for the coming year have been made up and closed.

The Commission to investigate the past history of the Central Railway, which has been suggested, was not appointed by the Government.

Mr. Hector MacNeill of the Transcontinental staff, Chipman, is among the guests at the Queen.

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