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### THE HAZEN CABINET.

Mr. Hazen has disappointed all cabinet slate makers, and furnished several genuine surprises to the public in his apportionment of the various portfolios.

There was never any doubt that Mr. Hazen himself would take the attorney generalship, and that Mr. Fleming would be provincial secretary, but nobody seemed able to guess correctly as to the probable disposition of the other offices.

However, the new premier seems to have yielded to last minute importunities, and the personnel of his cabinet is in several respects quite different from his original intention.

Two of the surprises are the awarding of the chief commissionership to Mr. Morrissey, and of the bestowal of the solicitor generalship, an office which Mr. Hazen stood committed to "immediately abolish" as unnecessary. Mr. Pinder was known to be an applicant for the job which Mr. Morrissey has landed, and Mr. Clarke would have accepted the solicitor generalship. Mr. Maxwell was quite certain of a portfolio, but he is only a forecastle member, and all of Mr. Slipp's efforts on behalf of his colleague, Mr. Woods, resulted in failure. Probably the maddest people are Mr. Hazen's St. John supporters, who after electing his whole ticket by large majorities, are turned down with the empty honor of representation without portfolio.

The office given to Mr. McLeod is the least important in the cabinet, and if Mr. Hazen carries out his pledges to abolish it, York will be without a representative in the government. The solicitor generalship carries no patronage or expenditure with it, and the salary is only \$1,200, while the other cabinet ministers will draw, in the case of the attorney general and provincial secretary, \$2,100 each, and the other cabinet members \$1,700 each. York, which gave the government candidates the largest majorities of any county in the province, excepting Northumberland, had good reason to expect more generous treatment at Mr. Hazen's hands, and there will be great disappointment at the barrenness of the new premier's offering.

Mr. Hazen, who has manifested such concern for the farmers, has put a medical doctor at the head of the agricultural department, and a lawyer in charge of the Crown Land department, evidencing his lack of material more suitable for those positions. Territorially, the government can scarcely be considered representative there being a preponderance of cabinet members representing the river counties, and this feature of Mr. Hazen's selection is likely to strike unfavorably other portions of the province.

But the Herald does not need to suggest new troubles for the premier. He has enough on his hands already, with the disappointment and chagrin of his supporters, who sought portfolios and were turned down. Included in this number are Mr. Clarke, Mr. Pinder, Mr. Maxwell, Mr. Woods, Dr. Bourque, and others. Mr. Clarke's disappointment, however, is likely to be partially assuaged by his selection for the speakership.

However, Mr. Hazen has made his choice, and must take the responsibility. Not one of his cabinet have had any experience in an administrative capacity, but they have the advantage of physical vigor, have behind them a strong support in the legislature, and the public will be willing to judge them on the record they make.

### UNQUALIFIED WITNESS.

Perhaps Mr. Hazen will make Mr. Pinder manager of the Central railway.

Mr. Hazen has not abolished the solicitor generalship, but perhaps considers he has made a fair start at it.

Why does not Mr. Slipp get after the speakership. The chair of the legislature should always be ornamented by the presence of a good looking gentleman.

Hon. John A. Beckwith, maternal grandfather of Hon. J. D. Hazen, New Brunswick's new premier, was provincial secretary in the first local government after confederation.

Now we'll have to be good or the

Solicitor General will be after us with all the prestige of his exalted office. And they say he never forgives. Funny though, there is no apparent alarm around this office.

Perhaps Mr. Clarke did not realize when he went up against Mr. Grimmer for a portfolio, that he was in competition with one of the new premier's relatives.

It's up to the Hon. John Morrissey, chief commissioner of public works, to give us good roads. It is not likely, however, that he will commence operations until the snow is off.

Mr. Hazen has only been twenty-four hours in office, yet he has already broken one of his pledges. He promised to abolish the solicitor generalship, but instead has made an appointment to that position.

The Toronto News, discussing the demand for offices, which meets Mr. Hazen, observes: "The office-hunting element is always noisy. But it seldom if ever represents more than three or four per cent of the actual voting strength of a political organization."

Probably next to Mr. Pinder, Mr. Harry Woods, M. P. P., is the most disappointed man in New Brunswick today. Ah! we forgot Mr. Maxwell, whose labors on Mr. Hazen's behalf have been rewarded with a place in the cabinet forecastle with no perquisites except travelling expenses.

Our sympathies are extended to Mr. Pinder. There was no portfolio for him although he bore the brunt of the opposition battle in York before his successful rival was known in the political arena. Mr. Pinder will quite naturally feel the turndown he has received at Mr. Hazen's hands.

Toronto Globe.—Mr. Foster appears to admit now that the administration of governments has nothing to do with good or bad times. This is a complete abandonment of the ancient Conservative doctrine that their rule was indispensable if the prosperity of the Dominion was to be maintained.

Mr. Hazen has given York a portfolio, but it is only a little one.

It is said that up to Monday last Mr. Pinder was absolutely sure of a portfolio in the government but — but something happened in St. John between that and Wednesday. Mr. McLeod had a lot of friends in that city at that particular time, and they held Mr. Hazen up and Mr. McLeod won out at the expense of Mr. Pinder.

The office seekers will not find much comfort from the following which appears in the Telegraph, one of Mr. Hazen's organs:

"Regarding the alleged demand in some quarters for the sacrifice of all office-holders unfavorable to the party in power, it may safely be surmised that no man will be displaced unless he has failed to give his duties the attention which fair capacity and fidelity to the public interest alone make possible. There are spots where improvement is clearly in order, but there is no reason to suppose that any really efficient office holders are going to be butchereed to make a Hazen holiday."

The Chatham World explains Hon. Geo. E. Foster's face-about on prohibition by declaring that "he merely aims at compelling liquor dealers to conduct their business in a respectable manner." "What, license a wrong?" was Mr. Foster's appeal in the days when he advocated the Scott Act as against a license law. Quite a change from Mr. Foster's declaration that he will "strive to make liquor selling more respectable." The World adds: "Mr. Foster's change of opinion merely shows that he has grown older. He has left his youthful ideas as well as his youth behind him." Alas, alas! Foster, the advocate of prohibition, now a defender of licensing the liquor traffic.

### CIBSON NEWS

March 21.—On Wednesday evening last, the W. M. A. S. of our United Baptist Church, held a meeting in the church. Rev. J. C. Berry delivered an admirable address on missions and two recitations were given the reciters being Miss Allen and Little Miss Alice Hoben. A solo was also rendered by Miss Minnie. Rev. H. R. Boyer acted as chairman and Miss Minnie presided at the organ. At the close of the entertainment, those present were served with refreshments, and a sociable time was spent by all.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Thomas Patterson is able to be out again after her recent illness.

As a result of the terrific fire at Collingwood, in which so many lives were lost, a fire drill has been instituted at our school. The first drill was held a few days ago and was well executed, the building being cleared in less than two minutes.

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We are going to Sell out Our Stock at Cost Prices  
Commencing March 23rd

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## LICENSE VS. SCOTT ACT

To the Editor of the Herald.

Every person who desires to see Fredericton a model city certainly should assist in the repeal of the Scott Act, which has done nothing but injury to the cause of Temperance. The conditions that have prevailed in Fredericton for the past 30 years have been simply disgraceful and should not be allowed to continue any longer. There are plenty of men in favor of the license system, who are just as good temper-

ance men as those who are advocating the Scott Act, who have viewed the subject from a common sense standpoint. Under a license system the hours can be regulated strictly and on Saturdays all places will be closed at seven o'clock in the evening. Certainly those who care for the welfare of the city should be willing to give the License System a trial, being clear that under the Scott Act, conditions will not improve.

TRUTH.

### THE STOCK MARKET.

MONTREAL, March 21.—(Special)—Stock prices were fairly steady today. Leaders in trading included:

Mexican, 50.  
Detroit, 35½.  
Montreal Power, 92 to 91½.  
Richelieu, 69½.  
Lake of the Woods Milling, 84.  
Montreal St. Ry., 133.  
Toronto Railway, 98½.

Mamma, Mrs. Oldcastle just went wild over our new bust of Shakespeare when she was here this afternoon.

Burst, my dear—burst. Mercv sakes, how can you use such slang? And you've been to Europe twice, too.

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Lot 1, your choice at 15 cents each.

Lot 2, your choice at 30 cents each.

Also 15 other colors in lots from four to twenty-two of a kind. Regular prices from 75 to \$1.00 each. Sale price from 25 to 60 cents each. Any lot over 8 we will sell any number to suit the purchaser.

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