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THE LOCAL OPPOSITION.

Last year Mr. Hazen sat in the legislature as premier for the first time. Two months before the opening of the house he had been triumphantly returned by an overwhelming majority and there were many indications that Mr. Hazen thought he had justly earned the position he had secured. To attain his political preference for himself and his party he had accused his predecessors of almost every crime but murder and had prepared an extensive platform of reform, which he promised to put into effect if returned to power. These pledges adorned every dead wall in the country before the election and were heralded in every newspaper advocating the cause of the then opposition.

Last year the opposition was able to show that Mr. Hazen had deceived the people in one important plank of his platform—the case of the roads. It had been promised by every Hazen candidate that the policy of the party would be to place the control of the roads in the hands of the municipalities.

Mr. Hazen introduced his Highway Act on the first day of the session of 1908, but it did not redeem his pledge. It did not place the control of the roads in the hands of the municipal councils or within measurable distance of them. When twitted with his broken pledge Mr. Hazen claimed that the act fulfilled his promise. That he did not believe this himself was proved by the fact that the act was never brought in operation and this year has been amended past all recognition.

It was not expected of Mr. Hazen that he would be able to carry out all of his pledges in the few weeks he had at his disposal last year between his election and the meeting of the legislature. The opposition, while unwilling to accept the Highway Act of 1908 as the fulfillment of his promise in this respect was willing to give him time to bring forth the measure, he had promised, and this year had hoped for some legislation that would be beneficial and show a desire on the part of Mr. Hazen to redeem himself before the people. They hoped in vain, as was shown by the long list of broken pledges which Mr. Cope was enabled to show in his resolution of want of confidence, discussed the other day. Every clause in it represented one of Mr. Hazen's promises he had failed to redeem. Bad as these were they were as nothing compared with the more serious charge which Mr. Robinson brought against the government and was able to completely prove.

The great boast of the Provincial Secretary has been that every dollar expended during the year by the government had been paid and that there was a surplus of \$44,000. This was the statement he made in the budget speech. It was afterwards modified in the statement that every bill presented to the government before October 31st, 1908, had been paid. This statement was subsequently further explained by the Provincial Secretary that all the bills of the Public Works department presented by October 20th eleven days before the end of the fiscal year had been paid. Mr. Robinson was able to show that the expenditures in the Public Works department alone amounted to \$96,000 between October 31st and March 17th and that the greater part of these were made prior to the close of the last fiscal year. Therefore instead of a surplus of \$44,000 there was a large deficit in last year's accounts and that the days of suspense accounts and over expenditure were not passed but had occurred in the very first year of the new government—a fact that Mr. Fleming could not and did not deny and which is now denied but confirmed in the amendment moved by Mr. Fleming. The government got an unmerciful pounding from the opposition throughout the entire session. Although not large in numbers the opposition is strong in debating power and thoroughly acquainted with their legislative duties. The non-performance of their pledges and their many misstatements in the legislature furnished opportunities which the opposition availed themselves of and the effect of the many exposures is to thoroughly discredit the government before the people. Thousands of Liberals all over the country voted with the Hazen party with the belief that they would obtain fair treatment from Mr. Hazen and his party. They know now that this is not the case. The mark has been torn off and the government compelled to stand before the country in its true light. Mr. Robinson has led his party through a long and stormy session with great acceptance and at the close emerges with a following much strengthened and encouraged as the result of the energetic work of the last six weeks, and today he is much stronger in the country than ever before.

The session of the legislature has established one thing—that Premier Hazen is not only "a weak kneed, and back boneless leader," as Commodore Stewart says, but he is the greatest political failure of modern times.

THE YORK SHRIEVALTY.

The announcement of the dismissal of Sheriff Sterling and the appointment of Major W. T. Howe as his successor, having been forecasted in these columns weeks ago, will not come as much of a surprise to readers of the Herald. Sheriff Sterling's scalp was demanded by the party heclers here, and the members for the county, being unable to agree upon a choice from the numerous applicants who pressed their alleged claims, induced Major Howe to take the position merely to help them out of a hole, as the saying goes.

In regard to the qualifications of the new sheriff, there can be little question. He has served in the legislature, in the municipal council, and in the militia, and has discharged his public duties in a conscientious and straightforward manner. The Herald and the public will be greatly disappointed if he does not make good in the high office he has lately been called upon to fill. No better appointment could have been made from among the followers of the Hazen government in York county.

The retiring sheriff has held the office for the long period of twenty-five years, and has no reason to be ashamed of his record. A man of culture, good business acumen and wide experience, he was well equipped for the position, and employed excellent tact and judgment in the discharge of his important duties. No charge was preferred against him, he was not a political partizan, and the only reason for his dismissal is that his office was wanted for a friend of the Hazen government. Fortunately Sheriff Sterling is a gentleman reputed to be in easy circumstances, and the loss of his office will therefore not be a very serious matter to him when viewed from a monetary standpoint.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Hazen government continues to "pile up wrath for the day of wrath."

Solicitor General McLeod is the chief pyrotechnical performer of the Hazen government.

Premier Hazen has many political sins to answer for, but his Valley railway bluff caps the climax.

Fighting Jim Lowell, of St. John county, was much in evidence during the recent session of the legislature.

Premier Hazen's explanation of the government's breach of faith on the Valley Railway project is a very good story for the marines.

It is altogether likely that Mr. George W. Upham, M.P.P., for Carleton has heard the last of the election petition filed against him. A bye-election in Carleton county at the present time is not wanted by the local government.

The political stock of Hon. J. Kidd Flemming is said to be considerably below par in Carleton county at the present time. That trip to Montreal in Sir William VanHorne's private car was a tactical blunder.

Our Mr. Young accomplished something during the recent session of the legislature. He had the assembly coaching restored at a cost of \$5 a day to the people of the province. Not too bad for a man who was elected on a platform of economy.

A local clergyman who listened to a speech by Mr. Fred M. Sproul, M. P. P., in the legislature during the recent session, afterwards made the remark in conversation with a friend that "Sproul talked like a statesman." Mr. Sproul may have his faults, but he is not a small bore politician. He knows as much about the political game as all the Hazen cabinet put together, and he is well thought of by members on both sides.

The Hazen government passed legislation at the last session guaranteeing the bonds of the Drummond Mines Company for a tramway in Gloucester county to the extent of \$15,000 a mile. The thousands of people who inhabit the St. John Valley, and are without railway communication, were politely told that their application for a bond guarantee would be considered. With the Hazen government the "interests" come out on top every time.

Premier Hazen must have a poor opinion of the intelligence of the people of the St. John Valley if he thinks they will accept his excuse for shelving the railway proposition. If the premier did not intend to make a move in the matter during the recent session of the legislature he should have said so in the first place. The expense of sending a large delegation to Ottawa might then have been saved. An holding the high position of Premier of New Brunswick, should not talk first and think afterwards.

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WATER SCHEDULE.

Fixtures	Annual Rate
Fixtures	\$5.00
Additional Faucets	2.00
Bath	3.00
Additional Baths	2.00
Closets	5.00
Additional closets	2.00
Wash-Bowl	2.00
Set-Tub	2.00
Urinals	2.00
Heaters	5.00
Horse	4.00
Cow	1.00
Beds for Boarders	1.25

SEWER SCHEDULE.

Fixtures	Annual Rate
Kitchen Sink	\$2.00
Additional Sinks	50
Bath-Room	2.00
Additional Baths	2.00
Closets	
Additional Closets	2.00
Additional Wash Bowls	1.0
Set-Tubs	1.0
Urinals	2.00
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April 27th,	
April 27, 1909,	

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