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THE CABINET

The cabinet which Mr. Hazen has selected gives promise of being one of the most capable and business-like the province has known for a generation. There was naturally a good deal of difficulty in making a selection from among the many capable men who are his supporters in the legislature. No doubt, many felt that they had claims to recognition, and this would naturally make the task of the premier one of considerable delicacy. He had to consider past services, and other elements no doubt entered into the situation, which would make it necessary for him to act very judiciously in the choice of colleagues.

That which was most desired in the interest of the province was the selection of a group of men well qualified to head the various departments, and to be men of such standing and reputation as would commend them to the public at large. Such a selection we believe has been made. Doubtless there are men outside the cabinet who would be quite as competent to perform the duties of official life as those who have been chosen; but, looking broadly at the whole question, and considering all the elements entering into the choice, there is no ground for serious criticism. There will be a universal disposition to accept Mr. Hazen's judgment in the matter, and to wait and see how it works out.

It was a foregone conclusion that Mr. Fleming would be provincial secretary, and that Mr. Morley would also have a portfolio. That the latter has been offered and has accepted the office of commissioner of public works removes an objection that doubtless would have been raised in some quarters had he been made surveyor general, for there is a feeling that the surveyor generalship should not go to a north shore member.

With regard to the ministry of agriculture, while Dr. Landry is a physician, he is also a farmer, and the secretary of the agricultural society in his county, and has taken a very active interest in agricultural matters. He is, moreover, a man of high character, a representative Acadian, and a gifted public speaker both in French and English.

Mr. Grimmer has won the reputation of being one of the most diligent members of the house, with a large capacity for work and a clear grasp of public affairs. There had been a persistent rumor that Mr. Pinder of York would be taken into the cabinet, but the choice has fallen upon Mr. McLeod, who is a much younger and more aggressive man, and whose appointment will be generally regarded with satisfaction.

It was not expected that a portfolio would come to St. John, for the reason that, although Mr. Hazen represented Sunbury county, he resided in St. John, and is therefore in a sense a local member; but Mr. Maxwell has been taken into the cabinet without portfolio, and will thus give this important constituency further representation. He has been, during his period of service in the legislature, a most active member, and during the recent election campaign was one of those selected to assist the party candidates in the campaign in other counties than their own.

The public will look with confidence to the new government to begin its career with a vigorous determination to get at all the facts concerning the present condition of affairs in all the departments, and to be in a position when the legislature is summoned to lay before the province a complete statement of the financial and general situation, so that in taking up the practical work of their legislative term the members may begin with a clean sheet. This paper observed some time ago that no premier since confederation had entered office with a finer opportunity for effective work than Mr. Hazen, who went into power with an overwhelming majority and conscious of a universal desire on the part of the people for reform. The like is true of the government as a whole. Its members are charged with grave responsibility, and must rise superior to the petty performances of small politicians. So long as they stand for law enforcement, reasonable economy and a square deal, they may be assured of the support of the great ma-

majority of the people. Necessarily the pruning process must be introduced in the departments, but it should be done in the same business-like way as in an ordinary commercial or industrial establishment. The people look for results, and those who attempt to persuade a minister that he should do this or that to serve the party's interest, when his better judgment tells him it is a thing to avoid, will be making a very grave mistake, which will not be overlooked by the people at large.

With regard to appointments to office, the lieutenant governor's contention is that the old government ought not to fill offices which were vacant for some time before the elections, and which they had an opportunity to fill but did not then take advantage of it. The stand taken by the governor obviates any unpleasantness which might have occurred had the late government's recommendations been carried into effect. It will now be the duty of the new government to see that the men appointed are fully qualified in every respect to perform the duties which devolve upon them.

Three matters will at once command the attention of the new government. These are the Central Railway, the school book question, and the highway act. In addition to these there is the general financial condition of the province. The cabinet is composed of young men, all of them under fifty years of age, and all of them capable of vigorous and sustained effort. Their career as administrators begins under the most encouraging auspices, and they will realize that they are on trial as no New Brunswick cabinet has been in their time.

A HELPFUL ENEMY

Premier Hazen and his colleagues have many reasons for entering upon their official duties with confidence and satisfaction. Not least of these is the assurance that they are to be opposed by the St. John Sun. The Sun was a most demonstrative supporter of Mr. Emmerson, Premier Robinson and Dr. Pugsley, and all these gentlemen recall the fact with sadness.

The Sun this morning attacks Mr. Hazen for not fulfilling his pledge regarding the office of solicitor general. The province pronounced on that question in the elections of 1903. But Mr. Hazen intimates that his solicitor general and himself will endeavor to attend to the legal business of the province, and if they do they will reduce the expenses very materially. The people are disposed to let them try.

Regarding Mr. Flemming the Sun says: "We venture here and now the prediction that he will no sooner assume office than he will abandon his opposition pretensions concerning the department and that the next budget will place him beside Mr. Hazen as a pledge breaker." Thus close familiarity with pledge breakers has induced in the Sun office the general skepticism which cheerfully first hangs a man and then places him on trial.

The Sun in its editorial columns sneers at Dr. Landry as a mere medical doctor, although on another page of the same paper he is described as a man "who takes a keen interest in agriculture, owns a fine farm and is identified with several agricultural societies." The Sun charges that Dr. Landry was chosen on "sectional and religious lines." This is clearly an attempt on the part of that journal to stir up strife of a sort unknown in this province for very many years, and it will be vigorously resented by the people of every constituency. The race and religion cry was never raised against the Hon. C. H. Lablanc. The more the Sun criticizes along the lines of today's attempt, the more the people's sympathy will be aroused in favor of the government. At heart, the people love fair play.

So far as the Times can learn the new government of New Brunswick will insist upon a strict enforcement of the liquor license law. Both Mr. Hazen and Mr. Maxwell are on record as agreeing with Mr. McKeown concerning the number of licences in any ward in St. John. To carry out the law as they have interpreted it will very considerably reduce the number of saloons in some wards, and this is a result which should have been brought about long since.

In parliament yesterday, Dr. Thompson, member for the Yukon, abandoned his hitherto independent attitude, and in a speech in which he denounced the government in the most vigorous manner declared that hereafter he would support Mr. Borden in his efforts to defeat that government. His action is significant of a widespread dissatisfaction.

Mr. Walter H. Trueman, whose resignation of the equity court reportership has not been accepted by the old government, has formally placed it before Mr. Hazen, feeling it his duty to do so as he had taken part in the campaign against the new government. The course thus pursued is entirely creditable to Mr. Trueman.

The Times has two words of counsel for the members of the new government—not that there is any present evidence of their need, but on general principles. They are these:—Don't talk.

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That the rose is sweet and the starlight dews
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they say—
The old have had their day.

But above the rose I see a face,
And behind the song, a voice,
And beyond the star in a soul afar
Where the shimmering leaves of the tree
are—
Where youth and love immortal stay
For the old who have had their day.
—HELOISE SOULE, in March Putnam's
and The Reader.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

HIS WEIGHT.

"What do you think young Chumpley weighs?" "About two hundred pounds on the scales and about ten ounces in the community."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

MONEY IN HIS VOICE.

Eliza—"Did you say Sam was makin' a lot of money out of his voice?" "Close." "Sure thing! At de opera?" "Yas; he calls de carriages!"—Yonkers Statesman.

ADVICE.

If you take a room in some hotel
And find yourself without a bell,
Don't lie awake to fret and weep,
But take a roll and go to sleep.
—J. F. Magee, in The Chicago Record-Herald.

"UNCERTAIN."

"What is your last name?" asked the principal.
"I don't know," replied the young woman, "I haven't got it yet."

NOT THE END.

Horse—"Oh, dear! Now that these motor cars are coming so much into favor I'm afraid I shan't be wanted."
Cat—"Now, don't carry on so. The mouse trap didn't do away with me, did it?"—Chips.

MARCH WINDS.

Blow out the shadow of distrust,
The cloud that hides the mist that clings;
Blow in a higher faith and trust—
Blow in the dawn of better things.
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

IT WAS.

Merchant—"See here, I'm told you've been slandering my business."
Customer—"I guess not. What did I say?"
Merchant—"That the pepper I sold you was half peas."
Customer—"Well, spell it, and see."
—Bohemian.

HE COULD.

She—"I see where a fellow married a girl on his deathbed, just so she could have his millions when he was gone. Could you love a girl like that?"
He—"Sure, I could love a girl like that! Where does she live?"—Puck.

COMING!

Spring is coming, we may know it by the sunsets, warm and red,
By the soft and gentle cooing of the doves upon the shed;
Spring is coming, we may know it by the lilac's swelling bud
And the yelling of the teamster, who is driving through the mud.
—Chicago Record-Herald.

A CLIMBER.

"Is she a hill-climber?" "You bet! This machine will get 'em unless they take to trees."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

CHICKEN HATCHED IN

OPEN SIGHT AT NICKEL

Interesting Nature Picture Reproduced Last Night -- Matinee Today.

The mystery of a hatching chicken will be photographically made plain to the children this afternoon at the Nickel, for in the picture entitled *An Easter Egg* this most interesting process of nature is shown. First the cracking shell, then the break for liberty, then the struggle to get free of the encumbering shell followed by the peeping baby chick's attempt to strut. Twenty hours later the camera is again directed against the little creature, showing it with its downy feathers all dried and rounded out and the little one plump and pretty running hither and thither. Yesterday this picture was an instant hit. The big film entitled *The Bewitching Woman*, shows aside from the action of the playette some exquisite sea coast scenes near Dieppe, France.

The Mummy is a comedy of a professor and a "nosey" landlady who thought the old gentleman was dissecting a corpse. A picture that was received with continued applause last evening was *The Dog Policeman*, or the sagacity of a canine in chasing down and arresting a burglar. This picture was taken in Chicago and introduces some excellent views of the western metropolis in the hey-day of its busy life. In the line of musical numbers the Nickel is again to the fore strongly with fine orchestral selections and popular vocal numbers. Mr. Weston will bid adieu to St. John today in singing *Clower Blossoms*, one of the most elaborately illustrated songs yet produced at the Nickel and Mr. Beckley's new number, *The Diver*, is a very showy and tuneful one, demonstrating the big basso's powers in the deepest tones.

CAPITALS AND GREEKS TONIGHT

The Fredericton Capitals, the holders of the Starr trophy, will play a game with the Marathons this evening in the Glacier rink. As this will be the last game here this season a large crowd is expected to witness the winners of the famous Starr trophy play against the local boys. The Capitals are on a tour as far as Truro (N. S.). The teams will line up probably as follows:

Capitals.	Goal.	Marathons.
Titus.		Tutts
Musick.		Brown
McDonald.		K. Inches
Dunphy.		Clawson
Stewart.		O'Neill or Cy Inches
Hughes.		Right Wing.
Murphy.		Left Wing.
		Paterson
		Fredericton, 10.
		Charlottetown, 3.

Fredericton, March 20.—The Charlottetown hockey team will return home tomorrow without the Starr trophy, the Capitals having defeated them in the second match here this evening by a score of 10 to 3. It was a fine exhibition of hockey and was enjoyed by the 400 spectators who witnessed it. The ice was in good condition and play was quite fast at times. The Victorias put up an admirable defense, Campbell proving a wonder at goal. He made at least 6 saves during the evening, several of which were shot at very close quarters. Reddin, Frouse and Mahar also played good hockey for the visiting team. The visitors are expert skaters and their combination work is as good as the best. The Capitals were in good form and put

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