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THE LEGISLATURE

The closing acts of the Hazen government were in keeping with the course of the legislation of this session. Mr. Hazen declined to commit himself to a policy with regard to the Valley Railway, and endeavored to throw the responsibility upon the federal government; but the federal government has nothing to do with Mr. Hazen and the course to be pursued by the provincial government in this matter. The premier has had ample time to make up his mind as to the proper course to be pursued by his government. For years while in opposition he clamored for a Valley Railway, and denounced the government for its failure to make immediate provision for the construction of the road. Then, as now, he was playing with the question for political purposes, and those who really believed that he would take some definite action are keenly disappointed.

With regard to the gerrymander of Westmorland County it is idle for Mr. Hazen or any of his followers to profess that their course was pursued for any other purpose than in the hope that it would reduce the liberal majority. It was a purely political move. Mr. Robinson very clearly pointed out that if Mr. Hazen was looking for inequalities in representation he could find them by making simple comparisons between different constituencies in this province. But the premier kept his eye fixed on Westmorland County and the party gain which he hopes to make there.

St. John will be a good deal surprised by the action taken with regard to the non-resident vote in St. John County, and even those who believe that the non-resident vote should be cut off will resent the manner in which it was done. The amendment to the bill was brought in at the very last moment, and rushed through the house without giving the members time to consider the effect or to give those affected by it any opportunity to be heard. There was no reason for secrecy on the part of Mr. Maxwell. He might have been fair and open about it. Legislation thus rushed through in the dying hours of the session was violently denounced by Mr. Hazen when in opposition, but he has no objection to offer now.

Another interesting fact brought out yesterday was that the loan made by Provincial Secretary Flemming was not made on favorable terms, at least not nearly so favorable as might reasonably have been expected in a time of cheap and easy money.

On the whole the government has come badly out of the session which closed last night. It has convicted itself of gross partisanship in legislation, and it has been found guilty of all the political crimes which Mr. Hazen in opposition charged against the former government. True, this government has been in power only a short time; but in that time it has fallen so far short of what was expected by its friends that no one will be surprised at anything it may do in the future. Its fine professions are mocked by its performances, and the device of attacking the old government whenever it was called upon to defend or justify its own acts has not deceived the people. The government is much weaker in the province today than it was at the beginning of the session which closed last night.

GOING AFTER DEVELOPMENT

The citizens of Vancouver Island have organized a Development League, with branches throughout the island, to attract investors, settlers and tourists. The Victoria Colonist of April 21st tells of the formation of a branch in that city, and the name of a former St. John journalist, Mr. C. H. Lugin, appears in the executive list.

The work of this league is chiefly supported by voluntary subscriptions, which appear to have been given very generously by business men, but the provincial government also assists. The Colonist, in its report of the meeting at which the Victoria branch completed its organization, gives a clear idea of what the League aims to do and how it will carry on the work:

"Secretary McGaffey reported that two rooms had been rented. Already the auxiliary leagues throughout the island had been notified to send in photos illustrating the possibilities and advantages of the different localities. These photos will be printed in booklet form by the provincial government free of charge. The stationery of the league will illustrate the industrial and residential advantages of Victoria and Vancouver Island. Mr. McGaffey stated it was his intention to visit each of the branch organizations and he will thoroughly go over and schedule the work which each has in contemplation. Mr. McGaffey went on to say that already fifty pounds of literature advertising the resources of the island had been sent eastward to Detroit and Toronto, the former place having been decided upon at the request of the C. P. R. The secretary laid great emphasis on the fact that the principal class of men the league would seek to induce to settle on Vancouver Island would be investors. 'Investors first,' he said, 'colonists second, and lastly, tourists.' Many of the merchants of the city have already signified their intention of sending out advertising cards to the different houses with whom they deal, both in the United States, Canada and Great Britain. These cards, which will be printed by the league, will point out the advantages of the island from an investor's standpoint, and they will be supplied free of charge to all the merchants of the city. A number of the Canadian magazines have written to the league asking for articles of a 'booster' character, which they will undertake to print without any charge. This matter, Mr. McGaffey said, he would take up at once, and at present he was busy collecting information about all the industries of the island and the articles dealing with them would be written in an attractive fashion. An elaborate advertising campaign will also be carried out in specially selected papers of North America and Great Britain. This advertising will show, as Secretary McGaffey put it, that Victoria is one of the most beautiful cities in the world, bar none."

The Times has more than once urged that the business men of New Brunswick should unite in some such scheme as this. It might be done either apart from or in connection with the work of the tourist associations, the special purpose being to attract investors and settlers. Vancouver Island is located on the farthest extreme, and the nearer west attracts and holds most of the home seekers and the large investments. Therefore Vancouver Island will make special efforts in its own behalf. New Brunswick is at the eastern extreme, and the settlers and investors rush through to the western field. Therefore this province should do what is being done in Vancouver Island. Members of the boards of trade in all the towns of the province might well give this question their serious consideration.

THE BRITISH BUDGET

The British budget which was brought down yesterday will provoke a bitter debate in the house of commons. There is a deficit of over seventy-eight million dollars, incurred in connection with old age pensions and naval programme, and in the new budget the burden of this is laid upon accumulated wealth and the liquor trade. However much criticism is roused by the course of the government, there does not seem to be any other reasonable course open. The government is opposed to the raising of revenue by a protective tariff, and must make use of such expedients as this which has been adopted. It is quite obvious that the burdens upon the poor in the United Kingdom cannot with safety be made any heavier, and no matter how loudly the opposition may cry out that this is Socialism and confiscation, it is after all the proper course to pursue. There is too great a contrast between the very rich and the very poor. There is no danger that the liquor trade will be over taxed, since it would be better for the country if it could be taxed out of existence. Nevertheless, the debate on this budget will be long and bitter. The conservative party has been gaining confidence and will leave no stone unturned to discredit the government and to endeavor to rally against it all the interests that may be affected by the proposed change.

THE GOTHENBURG SYSTEM

An exchange thus summarizes the story of the decline in drinking in Sweden under the Gothenburg system:

"In the year 1855 there were in Sweden upwards of 23,000 distilleries. This was certainly a pretty fair allowance for a population of less than seven millions, and one is not surprised to learn that at that time intoxicants could be bought at almost every hut in the country. In 1855 the per capita consumption of liquors in the kingdom was twenty-four quarts. It has fallen to eight quarts. The distilleries have fallen in number to 13, which indicates that many of those in existence in 1855 were small concerns. The change was brought about by the Gothenburg system. There are fewer places for the sale of spirituous liquors in all Sweden than in cities of Germany with a population of less than 200,000. As a matter of fact the number is one to every 13,000 of the population. In Great Britain there is one for every 243 people. Seventeen years ago there was one drinking house in Sweden for every 8,000 people and the reduction shows how rapidly the drinking habits of the people are declining."

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St. John, April 29, 1909.

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FORGOTTEN TROUBLE

Do you know what it was that caused you to fret?
Only a year ago?
Can you tell me the source of your utmost regret?
Only a year ago?
It looked big to you then and you moped and you pined.
The long nights were sleepless and troubled your mind.
Yet you can't tell what happened, in looking behind.
Only a year ago.

Do you know why you frowned as you journeyed your way?
Only a month ago?
Can you tell now what made all your blue skies look grey?
Only a month ago?
What trouble was it that your happiness marred?
That caused you to say that your heart had grown hard?
And from all future joys in this world you were barred?
Only a month ago?

You've forgotten them all, both the great and the small.
The things and the woes.
For few are the troubles we ever recall.
Ah, few are the troubles, my brother, that last.
They seem big at first, but the moment they're past.
They slip from the mind, for they never stick fast.
It is well that it's so.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

STRANGE BUT TRUE.

And very often you'll find that the man who does the loudest yelling in the grand stand and makes the biggest show of himself at the ball game, looks quite intelligent at other times.

ONE EXCEPTION.

Pray don't forget
The youthful joys;
Twill save you fret—
Boys will be boys.
Likewise recall
Amid life's trials,
That nearly all
Girls will be girls.
—Indianapolis News.

ONIONOLOGY.

After eating onions a girl should immediately sit down and peruse some work of fiction that is calculated to take her breath away.—Chicago News.

FOR INSOMNIA.
For insomnia try this simple remedy: Have a barber chair rigged up in your room. Then, when unable to sleep, get in it, turn on your motor car for your favorite barber. When he comes have him give you a thorough shampoo, and not sleep, then, repeat, and continue treatment until you do sleep. If the treatment fails to do this in five hours, just take a look at the bill.—Kansas City Times.

"PONY UP."

If you owe the corner grocer,
Pay him now.
Do not ask for credit—no, sir,
Pay him now!
If you owe the landlord rent,
Or the butcher a red cent,
Don't wait longer—be a gent,
Pay him now!
—Los Angeles Express.

FAME AT LAST.

"I suppose the Jimsons must feel terribly about their son being arrested for stealing."
"Not at all. On the contrary, they are very much elated. All the papers spoke of them as the highly respected family."

ALL FOR A SONG.

To hear the famous diva sing
We have paid prices strong.
And yet, the tickets were, sure thing,
All purchased for a song.
—Kansas City Times.

HE WAS PROUD OF HER.

The Grocer—"I hear your wife supports the family by taking in washing. Uncle Rastus is it true?"
Uncle Rastus—"Yes, dat's wot it am, sah."

The Grocer—"Well, don't you feel just a little bit ashamed of it?"
Uncle Rastus—"Shamed? No, sah; dere's nuffin 'degraded' 'bout washin', sah. Ah's proud of ole woman, 'deed Ah is."

RECOLLECTIONS OF NEWSPAPER MEN

H. L. Spencer Recalls Men of the St. John Press of the Last Half Century

(By H. L. Spencer.)
Often times as I sit here under the trees of a pleasant summer afternoon, or in my silent chamber while the winter winds are howling without, my old friends of the St. John press gather around me, silent and shadowy, to vanish at a word, or when anything more material than themselves obtrudes upon my attention.

Here comes Geo. J. Chubb, of the Courier; you would not take him for a journalist, but he made the Courier acceptable to the general public in his time.

This is Dr. William Elder, silent and austere, but sincere and highly esteemed by a host of friends. He made the Telegraph a power in the land, and was the friend of everybody who honestly tried to do right, no matter what his party or creed.

This is Hon. Timothy W. Anglin, statesmanly and dignified, caustic and kind at heart, and almost worshipped by many of the readers of the Freeman.

Here comes Edward Willis, of the Daily News, active and nervous, but it was thought by some he was at times dull and long-winded in his editorial utterances.

This is Dr. James Bennett, once in editorial writer on the Presbyterian, published by William Elder, and founder of the Maritime Monthly, a man who was most highly esteemed by those who knew him best.

Here is John Livingston, whose name is identified with the Telegraph and Sun in their early days, and whose pen might have been profitably employed on any newspaper in the English speaking world. He was a brilliant man, and what is better, a good man and a faithful friend. He was without the faculty of accumulating wealth (many good men are similarly deficient), but that does not disturb him now.

Here are R. A. Payne, W. K. Reynolds, Frank Risteen, W. B. Quinton, Porter and J. A. S. Mott, all of whom have laid down their pens and pencils and, as Omar Khayyam puts it, "crept silently away." Not one of all the men whose names I have recalled is living today, yet it seems but a very little while since they were as young and active as the average St. John journalist of today.

But the old time newspapermen of St. John have some survivors. Among them are John V. Ellis, of the Globe, C. H. Lugin of Victoria, and E. B. McCreedy, of Charlottetown. John A. Bowes of St. John, J. L. Stewart of the Chatham World, S. D. Scott of St. John, James Hannay of Fredericton, Parker Melville of Boston, and probably some others whose names I do not recall. They were all good men. I have looked with deep respect upon newspaper men ever since my introduction to H. T. White, of the Rutland (Vt.) Herald, and Robinson & Southmayd, of the Castleton (Vt.) Statesman, over 70 years ago. And why not? They have always been my friends, and I am grateful for their good will. Very many of those that I have recalled in memory have gone away, as I have said, and some of us, in the natural course of events are likely to follow them in a little while. May they rest in peace, our buried newspaper friends! May they

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Note:—Among my late newspaper friends I should have included James and John McMillan, deceased, who were among my earliest intimates in St. John, and whose graves I am accustomed to visit whenever I am at the funeral home. S. Carter and Alex. Heron, of the deceased Record, and Walter L. Sawyer, of the deceased Progress, and J. S. Knowles, of the Torch, whose light is extinguished. The last named gentlemen are, I believe, no longer newspaper men. I cannot understand how they passed up themselves to abandon the work. I have used tobacco more than 60 years, but it never had such an attraction for me as the pencil.

White Head, Kings Co., N. B.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

New Brunswick

The feeling is very strong in Port Elgin that a dredge should be sent there to complete the work of dredging the river. The Liberal club has memorialized the minister of public works.

The schooner S. A. Fowles, loaded with lumber by J. L. Hicks, for the Hall farm in Boston, has been aground on one of the river banks near the wharf at Sackville for several days. The schooner is considerably strained and it has been found necessary to remove her cargo and scow it to the wharf again. It is expected that the schooner will float off again with one of the high tides and if so, she will afterwards be taken to Quaco for repairs.

The Bangor & Aroostook is making preparations for active construction of new lines. During this week three survey parties, each composed of 12 to 15 men, are being placed in the field. Party No. 1, under Ralph L. Hackett at Washburn; No. 2, under D. W. Burpee, at Fort Kent, and No. 3, under F. L. Reed at Van Buren. Lines are to be located from Squa Pan to Stockholm via Washburn, from Van Buren westward up the St. John river, and from Fort Kent westward to St. Francis. These parties are being dispatched from the chief engineer's office in Houlton. Each one will have three large tents; one for office and quarters of the engineers, one for sleeping quarters for the crew, and a third for cooking and dining purposes. About 75 miles of line are to be ready for contracting, so that the work may begin about May 15. A fourth party may be made up early in May.

The new draw in the N. B. and P. E. I. railway bridge at Port Elgin, is felt to be a mistake by the people. The draw, instead of being put in the middle of the bridge, was put on the side and half of it is of no use whatever, as it swings over land and wharves instead of water.

Nova Scotia

Rev. G. M. Campbell arrived in Halifax on Thursday from St. John. While there he will consult with the Halifax Bible Society regarding their proposed new constitution, and also regarding new plans of work.

The Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co. have begun the season's coal shipping at Sydney, Saturday the S. S. Woburn loaded and sailed for Portland, Maine. The Woburn also loaded and left during the day. No less than 100,000 tons of coal is landed at No. 1 bankhead.

Captain William Kidston, of San Francisco, Cal., spent Sunday in Baddeck. This is the captain's first visit to his native town for thirty-one years. Captain Kidston has been for many weeks in New York, where he has purchased a steamer for the Pacific Mail Steamship Co. The Kansas City is the name of this steamer.

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and the purchase price paid was three hundred thousand dollars.

J. G. Morrison, M. P., arrived at Baddeck, C. B., from Halifax, Thursday evening. It is authoritatively stated that the past session is the last in which Mr. Morrison will represent Victoria, he being slated as successor to the late A. C. Bertram in the fishery office.

Among the ships in Louisbourg are the steamers Louisbourg and Tanke, the former loading coal for St. John and the latter for Yarmouth.

The Dominion Coal Company raised 13,500 tons of coal on Thursday. Last season the maximum day's work was 15,000 tons. The Dominion Coal Company has been working very steadily during the past few weeks, and the total output for the month, it is expected, will be in the vicinity of 275,000 tons, which will be a large increase over last month.

The shipwrecked crew of the schooner New Quay, which were rescued by the steamer Basuto, and brought to Sydney last week, left on Saturday for Halifax, where they will remain until next Saturday and then take their departure for Liverpool.

There are at present only four cases of scarlet fever at Dominion, C. B., and no new cases have developed lately. Every precaution is being taken by the health authorities to prevent any further spread of the disease, and the schools will not be re-opened for several weeks.

Francis Martin was at work loading a box of coal at Reserve colliery, when a large piece of coal, sufficient to kill two or three men, fell. Luckily the greater part of the case was already on the ground, where they will remain until next Saturday and then take their departure for Liverpool.

The criminal cases in the Waldo court, at Belfast, Me., were begun Thursday, the first to be taken up being the action against Harry R. Neil, alias Henry R. McKenzie, of Yarmouth, N. S., indicted by the grand jury for larceny. He was arraigned Wednesday morning and pleaded not guilty. Young Neil, or McKenzie, is charged with stealing his partner's diamond ring, two mileage books, \$10 in bills, a suit of clothes and other articles, together with a suit case and a cane, from the outfit. He came to Belfast some months ago with Alfred Allard of Biddeford and the two set up what is known as a ping pong picture studio, taking small photographs for a small fee. One night Allard went out to a dance and returned late, sleeping heavily. In the morning he missed the articles and suspecting his partner notified the authorities.

The Annapolis municipal council has passed a regulation prohibiting automobiles from being used on the roads of that county from 8 a. m. to midnight on Saturday and Sunday.

An express train made up of a passenger coach, baggage car and a box car, left the rails when rounding a curve about seven miles south of Middleton, and the passenger coach left the rails, and breaking from the baggage car, rolled over on its side down the bank, striking a heavy telegraph pole. About a dozen passengers were in the coach, all of whom were shaken up and several were considerably injured. Clarence Yeaton, of Hantsport, received the worst injury, being hurt internally. Mr. Yeaton is confined to his bed at his home and it is feared his spine is injured. Conductor Allen had the end of a finger cut off by being driven through a window pane; P. R. Bentley, of Kentville, had a bad shaking up, and his head was cut; Mr. Seamone, of Paradise, had his lip cut and hip bruised; Bennett Morton, of New Germany, and ex-Mayor Day, of Parrsboro, were slightly injured. The passengers were placed in the baggage car and conveyed to Middleton.

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